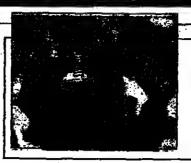
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# Iran, Israel reportedly forging contacts

Iran and Israel are forging contacts in a secret effort to resolve military tensions and settle Israel's debt of up to \$1 hillion to Teheran.

Diplomatic sources in both countries said that after years of halted attempts. the chances of a successful dialogue are better today. They say the higgest change has been the election of Mohammed Khatami, regarded as a pro-Western moderate, as Iran's president.

We are closer to this possibility [of a settlement] now than two years ago," a senior Israeli official said. "We recognize that we owe Iran money, and we're willing to negotiate."

An Iranian source close to Khatami agreed. "A change is about to take place in the way the government is thinking," he said. "We already have signs of this here and there."

Those involved in the attempt to start negotiations said the goal is multiple: to discuss Israel's debt to Iran from the days of the shah - estimated at \$650 million-\$1 hillion - and to quietly reduce Iranian enmity, whether expressed in support of Hizbullah and Islamic terrorism or in its ouclear weapons and ballistic missile program.

One proposal is that Israel pay the debt through private investment to developing Iranian civilian infrastruc-

"There is oot a complete picture yet," Labor MK Ephraim Sneh said. "There are commercial attempts being made

At the same time, Iranian and Israeli academics are discussing the idea of a dialogue that could eventually turn official - taking a page out of Israel's experience with the PLO and China. Iranian academics, particularly those abroad, have expressed interest in joining such

"I very much approve of what the Israeli leadership is doing," said Hooshang Amirahmadi, director of Middle East studies at Rutgers University in the US, who is regarded as close to the Khatami government. "The confrontation with Iran is wrong. Any correction to that confrontational approach is a welcome event, and I believe it will be welcomed by political

Approaches to Iran have been steady throughout the nearly 20 years of the Islamic republic. Court records and former IDF commanders said Israel sold

and academic circles in Iran and else-

War from 1980-88.

"Our interest was that this war should last forever," Maj.-Gen. [res.] Avraham Bar-David, former chief artillery officer and later managing director of Soltam, said. "The Iranians were willing to buy from everyone."

The arms sales slowed down after the war, but Israeli products continued to he sold to the Teheran regime through third countries. This included agricultural equipment, plastics, and instruments to detect chemical weapons.

But the most recent effort at an Israeli-Iranian conciliation began late last year.

in December 1996, then-Khazakstan oil minister Nurlen Balgimbaev, who has excellent ties with Teheran, visited Israel for medical treatment and was approached about arranging a dialogue with Iran to discuss an easing of ten-

The effort was launched by Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu, who reportedly feels that the policy of the previous governments of Yitzhak Rabin and Shimon Peres in leading an interna-tional campaign against Teheran was counterproductive.

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# ITV: Commando may have stepped on mine

By MARGOT DUDKEVITCH

The IDF inquiry into Friday's botched raid to south Lebanon believes that a member of the naval commando unit stepped on a Hizbullah mine, subsequently drawing gunfire and triggering off at least one of the explosives they were carrying, Channel'I reported last night,

The report claimed that the unit split up toto small groups and, as four commandos crossed the road toward their target, one of them stepped on a mine.

Following the raid that left 11 dead, one missing and presumed dead, and four wounded. Chief of General Staff Lt.-Gen. Amnon Lipkin-Shahak appointed an inquiry headed by OC Home Front Command Maj.-Gen. Gabi Ophic. Although the inquiry has not Although the inquiry has not released an official statement on its

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findings, the Channel 1 report claimed that information the panel has collected points to a serious intelligence failure. Intelligence officers should have known about the mines laid by Hizbullah in the

In addition, the report stated that the commando unit was carrying three explosive devices with them. One, carried by Third Petty Officer ltamar Ilya, exploded; another was returned with the unit; and it is still unclear what happened to the third.

The IDF Spokesman refused to comment on the report, stating that the inquiry is still carrying out its investigation. When the investi-gation is completed, the findings will be reported," the spokesman

Meanwhile, in a televised press conference, Hizbullah leader Sheikh Hassan Nasrallah hosted the 30-man unit that fought the commandos. The unit's commander, speaking with his back to the camera, said: "We knew they were coming; we heard the Israelis speaking in Hebrew and detonated the explosives."

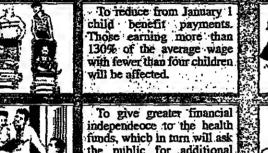
Nasrallah also confirmed reports that he had been approached by several parties regarding the return of Ilva's remains. He refused to elaborate who had approached him, but stressed that any exchange would involve "live" Lebanese detainees held by Israel

and the South Lebanese Army. "I will not at this point disclose the possible intermediaries, but naturally a swap is in our interest."

he said. Israel has lodged a formal request with the International Red Cross asking for assistance in retrieving Ilya's remains.

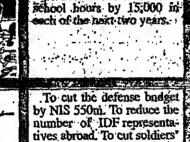


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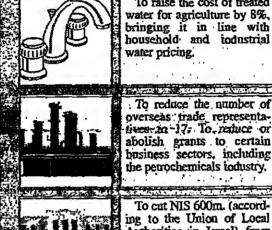
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# Albright expected to be tough on Israel

By SARAH HONIG and HALLEL KUTTLER

Madeleine Alhright's visit could turn into one of the most difficult hy a US secretary of state in recent years, sources in the Prime Minister's Office and Foreign Ministry said yesterday. Alhright is expected to arrive

tomorrow morning for three days of talks, then leave for Syria. While here, she will also visit the Palestinian self-rule areas and meet with Palestinian Authority Chairman Yasser Arafat.

Despite the latest bombing attacks, Albright is expected to put equal pressure on Israel and the Palestinians to make concessions to get peace talks back on track, the sources said.

But Israel wants Albright to put pressure mainly on the Palestinians to ahide hy their commitments to combat terrorism," an official said. "If anyone can effectively pressure the Palestinians, it is the Americans. Nobody is more vulnerable to American pressure than the Palestinians."

Preparations for the visit are made on the assumption that it will be a difficult one, the sources said. They said Albright is expected to

raise the issue of construction in their only meeting will be during east Jerusalem, settlement building, and the security cabinet's Friday decision not to hand over any more territory to the PA.

Officials in the Prime Minister's Office view Arafat's latest arrests of Islamic extremists as "window dressing" timed for Albright's

PA rounds up Hamas suspects, Page 2 Fifth Ben-Yehuda bombing victim buried, Page 3 Labor, Likud trade charges over Oslo, Page 20

They hope that Albright will pressure Arafat against further "revolving door" arrests, as he has staged in the past, in which he tries to mollify world opinion by detaining Hamas leaders, and then quickly releases them.

Alhright is expected to meet twice with Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu. Foreign Minister David Levy will welcome her at the airport, but

the ride to Jerusalem. American officials turned down Levy's request for another meeting, saying Albright's schedule is too tight.

Albright may meet with Labor Party chairman Ehud Barak, Also scheduled are a visit to the grave of Yitzhak Rabin to lay a wreath, and a meeting with his widow, Leah.

Albright will also visit Yad Vashem, victims of the Mahaneh Yehuda and Rehov Ben-Yehuda bombings, and speak to high school pupils in Jerusalem and Ramailah.

She has one meeting scheduled with Arafat.

Palestinian negotiator Saeb Erekat telephoned Foreign Ministry Director-General Eitan Bentsur yesterday and promised oot to turn a hlind eye to terrorism. He also relayed a message thanking Levy for cautioning against the demise of the Oslo

"Your courage may return the peace process to its same track," Erekat messaged Levy. Levy replied that "the real test is the facts on the ground and not declarations of intent."

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# Ministers slam Neeman NIS 2.3b budget cut plan

# Marathon debate goes into early hours

By DAYED HARRIS

The cabinet reconvened late last night to try and reach agreement on Fioance Minister Ya'akov Neeman's proposed NIS 2.3 billion cut for the 1998 state budget. A marathon session had broken np earlier for a couple of bours as

Foreign Minister David Levy left the meeting early in the evening, leaving behind a proxy vote against the cuts. Absorption Minister Yuli Edelsteio reportedly threatened to resign and also walked out of the meeting, saying the government did not care about new immigrants. Edelstein later returned for the midnight discus-

began at 9 a.m. yesterday.

Ministers had to be calmed

officials said. After leaving the meeting, Levy told reporters it would take two or three years for economic growth to resume and that there was currently a need to declare a "social

is needed to ensure they are not harmed by the cuts. Ministers who

Matza (Health). After 12 hours of talks, Treasury officials began holding private conversations with individual ministry representatives in a bid to

gain a majority in favor of the cuts' package. The Treasury proposals include

substantial cuts in spending for defense, (NIS 550 million), educa-

ministers and Treasury officials cloistered in consultations to try to find suitable compromises for cach ministry.

There were a number of heated exchanges during the debate that

down several times as they turned their anger on Neeman, Treasury

SOS." He added that Gesher would continue to speak out for the weak and would do whatever

extreme reservations during the cabinet session included Eli Yishai (Labor and Social Affairs), Yitzhak Mordechai (Defeuse), Zevulun Hammer (Education), Yitzhak Levy (Transport), David Levy, Natan Sharansky (Industry and Trade), Edelstein, Eli Suissa (Interior), Ariel Sharon (National Infrastructure) and Yehoshua

tion (a reduction in school hours by 15,000), national insurance stenographers' union and WIZO by 15,000), national tosurance (benefits to older people and par-

ents) and industry. While the health service is not facing a real-terms cut, according to the Treasury, it is being asked to undergo substantial reforms.

The cabinet rejected Science Minister Michael Eitan's proposal

Science Ministry staff demonstrates, Page 4

Minister Binyamin Prime Netanyahu suggested appointing a committee to examine the idea in detail and issue a report within 45

Following presentations hy Netanyahu, Treasury officials, and the Bank of Israel governor Jacob Frenkel, Matza spoke for more than two hours, trying to convince his colleagues that the Treasury should contribute NIS 1.3b. to wipe out the health service debt, rather than attempt to implement sweeping reforms.

Sharansky said he is not prepared to implement all the cuts proposed for his ministry, particularly those directly related to unemployment and development area infrastructure. Sharansky also said he would refuse to close 17 economic trade offices abroad. As the meeting commenced in

the morning, staff from the Science Ministry demonstrated outside the Prime Minister's Office against the proposed closure of their ministry. Late in the afternoon dozens of

mayors held a rally to protest against planned cuts of an estimated NIS 600 m. to NIS 700 m. in the local authority budget. As part of its ongoing opposition

to budget cuts and a government blueprint for structural economic reforms, the Histadrut last night gave a go-ahead for labor disputes by the Income Tax and Property has a sick person," Matza said.

Calling on ministers to think of the good of the nation rather than their lodividual ministries, Netanyahu said his colleagues were wrong in saying there can be no economic miracles.

"This is oot true," he retorted. "I tainly be an Israeli economic miracle."

Neeman recited a prayer asking God to prevent him speaking gos-sip or idle chit-chat. He told ministers that if he had accepted all their requests the Treasury would have to pay out NIS 15b. rather than making any cuts at all.

The cut is part of the Treasury's strategy for keeping the 1998 bud-get deficit no higher than 2.4 percent of the gross domestic prod-

Judy Siegel adds:

The directors-general of the Finance and Health Ministries were closeted together - along with other senior officials - last night to try to resolve the health hudget quandary. Earlier in the day, Matza pleaded

and argued for more than five hours at the cabinet meeting against cutting the basket of health services and allowing the health funds to charge extra for treatment, medications and services tossed out of the basket. The Treasury's plans, Matza charged, would hurt the weaker

segments of the population and establish a separate health system for the rich and for the poor. They would abolish the National Health Insurance Law, the health minister continued. He was supported by Sharon and Levy.

Matza disclosed he had learned of a Treasury package of changes that would amend arrangements that were to be in effect for 10

"[Finance Minister Yaakov] Neeman had no right to intervene in these internal matters and endanger the fates of all residents. Every home

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# Report: Etzel suspected of targeting Elizabeth

By DOUGLAS DAVIS

LONDON - A recently declassified document, published here for the first time yesterday, indicates that Britain feared that then Princess Elizabeth was the target of a 1948 assassination plot by the pre-state underground Stern Group. Concern over her safety is contained in a

telegram sent by the Foreign Office to the British Embassy in Paris, where Elizabeth was due to visit. The contents of the telegram, published in the Times yesterday, is based on the discovery in the British Public Records Office by Israeli author David Rubovitz, who is described as an expert movements and the British in Mandatory

Palestine. The telegram, described as being of "particular secrecy," was dated May 7, 1948, and was sent in response to a May 3 telegram from the embassy in Paris dealing with the arrival in France of two Stern Group members. The two are not named, bot Rubovitz claimed that one went on to play a leading role in Israeli govern-

The telegram stated: "French ambassador's private secretary was told on May 6 that the Foreign Office were much exercised about the arrival of these two terrorists in France, in view

of the impending royal visit. The palace had not yet been officially informed of their presence in France; but it would be necessary to do so if they were likely to be at large during Princess Elizabeth's visit and it might in these circumstances be difficult for us to advise that it was safe for HRH [her royal highness] to go to

Rubovitz was quoted as telling the Times he was making the telegram available to demonstrate "the great irony of the concern shown then for the safety of a British princess, and to contrast it with the lack of government concern about that of our dearly beloved Diana, especially after she was stripped of her title."



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# **NEWS**

in brief

# 18 soldiers indicted for military prison riot

Military prosecutors yesterday handed down charges against 18 soldiers involved in the riot at Military Prison No. 6 last month. The Jaffa Military Court will hear appeals by prosecutors today to keep the soldiers in jail pending the trial's outcome. The soldiers were charged with mutiny and face a maximum sentence of 15 years' imprisonment.

In charging the soldiers, the army formally abrogated a pledge not to do so. The promise was part of an agreement that brought a peaceful end to the weekend-long rebellion,

# PM condemns Moslem cemetery desecration

Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu yesterday condemned the desectation of the cemetery in which Sheikh Izzadin Kassam is huried. On Samrday a pig's head was placed on a grave in the cemetery, which is located near Haifa.

"Israel decidedly condemns the path of those who see them-

selves as continuing in this man's [path.] Despite that, the prime minister considers serious all attacks on graves, without differenuating between faith or religion," he said in a statement.

# Ras ai-Amud decision due today

The appeals committee of the Jerusalem District Planning Committee is to hand down its decision on the appeal against construction of a Jewish neighborhood in Ras al-Amud. Meretz City Council members Oman Yekutieli and Michal Shohat have claimed the plan was submitted illegally and contradicted previous construction plans.

### Two die on roads

Tarabin Suleiman, 24, who did not have a driver's license, was killed yesterday when he stole a car, sped away and hit a light pole at the entrance to the Beduin town of Segev Shalom near

In another accident, a man was killed and three others moderately to seriously injured on the Arad-Tel Arad road. Five people were injured, two moderately and three lightly, on the Arava road, when a car hit another as it was turning left into the road to Kihbutz Samar.

# Cabinet okays pact legalizing Vatican status

The cabinet yesterday approved a year-old agreement formally legalizing the Vatican's status here. The agreement will allow the Vatican to legally register its churches and institutions, thereby giving it greater freedom of action in Israel, said Foreign Ministry spokesman Aviv Shir-On.

Israel and the Holy See recognized each other on December 30, 1993, and announced formal ties in June 1994, when they set up commissions to settle outstanding issues such as for-malizing the status of the church, which had been operating in a legal vacuum.

Last year, agreement was reached to grant the Vatican legal status, but the pact needed cahinet approval before implementa-

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# PA rounds up Hamas activists

By MARGOT DUDKEVITCH

Palestinian security forces rounded up Hamas suspects yesterday for the first time since last Thursday's triple suicide bombing in Jerusalem that killed five and injured 192. Palestinian security sources said more than 30 Hamas activists were arrested in areas under PA control. Reports in the media, however, said the numbers were closer to 40.

David Bar-Illan, Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu's communications adviser, said that the arrests are only one-tenth of what has to be done by the Palestinians to crackdown on terrorists and damage their infrastructure.

"It is an obvious gesture to US Secretary of State Madeleine Albright," he said, adding, "the arrests do not include leaders of the military wings of the organizations or active terrorists whose arrests would harm the infrastructure."

Bar-Illan confirmed reports that Israel is compiling a list of demands it expects the Palestinians to fulfill. The list, he said, is based on the two Oslo Accords and the Hebron Agreement and will be given to Albright during her visit.

The US, however, called the arrests a positive step.

"We think any step in the direction of an active, relentless effort to dismantle the security infrastructure [of the extremist groups] in the territo-ries under the Palestinian Authority control is a positive step in the right direction," State Department deputy spokesman James Foley said.

The security forces continued to maintain a high state of alert and the police reinforced its manpower in lerusalem following a Hamas threat to carry out more terrorist attacks, claiming they represent the growing frustration of the Palestinian people.

We know that, in essence, there is an aim to torpedo Albright's visit," Internal Security Minister Avigdor Kahalani told Israel Radio, adding that what happened last week could

Jerusalem District Court, meanwhile, banned the publication of all



A Palestinian argues with a border policeman during an identity check outside Jerusalem's Old City yesterday.

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details related to the bombing. A statement issued by the police said the ban relates to arrests, detentions of suspects, and evidence related to the attack, apart from details that have already been published. Media reports based on Palestinian

sources said that 10 Hamas activists, who work in the movement's civilian offices, were arrested. In addition, the sources claimed more than 40 other Hamas activists were arrested throughout the territories.

PA Minister of Jerusalem Affairs Faisal Husseini rejected charges that the arrests were due to Albright's

# PA upset at extradition request for Jabalia

Palesiman citiciais voiced crimage yesterday at Brael's demands to extractive their police chief Brigg Gene Chezoral Jabalia.

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In an interney or Channel One, Jabali-charged that the request was a shape but it will never hap-

They can kill me by shooting at me from plane but it is an absolute shame to ask this police commander or any police command. Jabali said. The Justice Ministry asked for Jabali to be in

ed over on Sunday, alleging there was evident tying him to planning attacks on laraclis, and he he had ordered three Palestinian police officers, shoot at an Israeli car in July, Nobody was bert in

# PA Police cooperate with IDF in search for Hebron shooter

By MARGOT DUDKEVITCH

Shots were fired at an IDF post in north Hebron last night. The IDF Spokesman said to one was injured and IDF troops, together with Palestinian Police, searched the surrounding area.

The spokesman added that several cartridges were found lying on the ground about 100 meters from the post and IDF troops would continue searching the area. Yesterday morning Palestinians charged that a group of 15 IDF

ALBRIGHT

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In Washington, officials in the

Clinton administration said they

had limited expectations of

Albright's visit. One senior offi-

cial said that in this "very difficult

time," Albright has two key goals:

restoring, in a "painstaking way,"

the trust necessary for talks to pro-

ceed, and getting the parties to

reaffirm the principles of the

He said that the US is "geared

much more" toward a longer-

range view of rehuilding the

process, because "the ability to act

on ideas in an environment like

But he called it "a necessity" for

Arafat to "create a climate that

demonstrates that there won't be

tolerance for terrorism" hy uproot-ing the infrastructure of Hamas

The US also wants Netanyahu

We're focused on what we can

to ease restrictive measures that

have hurt the Palestinian econo-

do to put this process back on track," he said. "Obviously, one

trip isn't going to do it."

Albright will also explore the

chances of bringing a resumption

of Israeli-Syrian peace talks after

She is likely to seek clarifica-

tions from Netanyahu on Syria's

this is profoundly limited."

peace process.

and Islamic Jihad.

an 18-month hiatus.

soldiers attacked and beat up a Palestinian at a roadblock near Hebron. The charges were refuted last night by the IDF Spokesman, who claimed the Palestinian attacked soldiers carrying out a routine inspection.

According to Palestinians who witnessed the incident, 20-yearold Ashraf al-Hdoush was travelstopped by IDF soldiers at a roadblock. A witness claimed that 15 soldiers forced him out of the car, beat him and bound him up. When

claims that Israel plans to build a

dam for Jordan's use in the south-

em part of the Golan Heights. The

US believes the project could

undermine Syria's confidence in

President Bill Clinton was

scheduled to meet with Albright

yesterday afternoon to discuss

how the US can resume the

"painstaking process of huilding

He denied that Albright intends

to turn up the heat on Netanyahu,

saying that "the US doesn't enter

into the equation as someone who

The US official indicated that

the US would pursue

Netanyahu's proposal to move to

final status talks. He added that

the US believes that the interim

agreements have to be carried

out simultaneously, hy both

"Ohviously, there will be a secu-

rity dimension to what she does,

but I think the focus... is going to

be much more geared toward looking at the kinds of principles

that need to guide the parties and

the kinds of things that will guide

Alhright is also scheduled to

visit Egypt, Jordan, Syria, and

Saudi Arabia. It is uncertain

wbether she will visit Lebanon.

Such plans would not be

announced in advance for security

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passersby attempted to intervene, the witness said, IDF soldiers fired tear gas at them.

However, the IDF Spokesman said that IDF soldiers stopped a Palestinian for a routine check at an IDF roadblock between Halhoul and Hebron. The Palestinian attacked an IDF soldier and was overpowered when be resisted arrest. The spokesman added that the Palestinian was lightly injured during the struggle and was treated at the site before heing transferred to police.

# Jordan urges 'balanced' **US** stance

AMMAN (Reuters) - Jordan yes-tenday urged US Secretary of State Madeleine Albright to adopt a "balanced" initiative to save the peace process on her first visit to the region this week.

White House Foreign Minister Fayez Tarawnah told reporters the region is anxiously awaiting stepped up US diplomatic moves. "It goes without saying that our message to Madame Albright and the Americans is that any initiative should be a balanced one, and any initiative should be the basis for the resumption of the negotiations." Tarawnah stressed that efforts to revive peace talks should not only

focus on security, saying this is only one facet of peace, which should encompass Israeli territorial concessions and commitments to adhere to Oslo Accords. The deepening crisis makes it very timely for Washington to present a "complete and balanced initiative"

which could at least set the "minimum terms" for the resumption of negotiations, Tarawnah said But he warned that any US initiative would be doomed if it "is not acceptable, at least in the minimum

sense, to the Palestinians," saying it

is critical Washington takes the Palestinian view seriously. Israeli actions, such as imposing closures after a suicide bombing, are "unilateral" steps which erode trust between the sides, he said.

Tarawnah said Jordan is committed to resolutions of the Cairo summit on Sunday which called on Israel to carry out its peace pledge to cede more land to the Palestinian Authority. He also criticized Prime Minister

Binyamin Netanyahu's proposal to go directly into final status talks. The Palestinian side is stressing that there are articles that have to implemented before they enter into final status," he said.

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# 5th victim of Ben-Yehuda bombing buried



Eliyahu Markovitch

40-year-old Jerusalemite Eliyahu Markovitch was buried yesterday afternoon, after he succumbed to the wounds he sustained in last week's terror attack on Rehov Ben-

Markovitch, a bank elerk, was sitting with his 11-year-old son Itai at a shwarma restaurant on Rehov Ben-Yehuda when a bomb exploded near them on Thursday afternoon. Itai began to burn, and though Markovitch already had been seriously injured, he managed to extinguish the flame, saving his son's life, relatives said.

Markovitch was critically injured in the neck and Itai was seriously wounded. They were transferred to Hadassah-University Hospital at Ein Kerem, where Markovitch, who never regained consciousness, underwent a 12-hour operation. Itai is still in the hospital's intensive

One of their oeighbor's told Israel Radio that since the attack Ronit Markovitch had spent her time running between her husband and her son. "There are no words to describe the tragedy that has befallen the family," she said.

"He was one of the most modest people, he didn't want a car, he didn't want a cellular phone, and he never went abroad. He dedicated everything to his children," a relative said.

Markovitch was laid to rest in the Givat Shaul cemetery yesterday afternoon. He also is survived by his 16-year-old daughter Shirt-and his father Shabatal, a Holocaust

# Accused Golan spy freed from jail

Acre Magistrate's Court yesterday released on bail a Druse woman from the Golan Heights who had been held for two weeks on suspi-

cion of spying for Syria.

Alham Naif Abu Salah, 32, a student at Damascus University, was freed on a bond of NIS 50,000, and on condition she report daily to a police station in the Golan for the

Police continue their investigations She was arrested late in August

on allegations of espionage. Abu Salah denied the accusations, telling reporters after stepping out of jail that she dealt only in student

"Today I'm very happy about

being freed. It hurt me a lot; I never dreamed of ever getting arrested, and the interrogations were long and difficult," she said.

Police officials said they would continue investigating the case and that they still haven't ruled out bringing charges against Abu Salah.

But her relatives in Majdal Shams regarded her release as an acquittal. Hundreds in the village came out to celebrate.

Abu Salah said she would like to return to Syria to be active on a student council that represents Druse from her village at the university. "I

still have a lot to do. I'm not angry with Israel or the General Security Service," she said. "They have the right to do what they want, but I also have the right to study and travel to Syria and live in peace," According to Gabriel Ben-Dor, a

Haifa University political science professor, Abo Salah's case is one of many in which Golan Druse have been accused of spying for

from the Golan who study in Damascus come under pressure to get involved in anti-Israeli activi-

Abu Salah studied psychology at Damascus University, and returned home a few months ago for summer

There are roughly 17,000 Druse living in the Golan Heights and many feel a connection with Syria.

# Barak raps Beilin plan for ebanon pullout

By SARAH HONIG

Labor Party ehairman Ehud Barak yesterday blasted MK Yossi Beilin's proposals for a unilateral Israeli withdrawal from Lebanon, maintaining that the results would be "disastroos because it woold bring Hizbullah right to our

In a speech to pensioners, Barak also rejected the idea of forming a national unity

government. There is oothing to dis-euss, because this is a govemment which is leading the country downhill to a terrible violent confrontation. There is oo basis for onity and I see no future basis with this govcrnment," he said.

The national unity idea was proposed this week by

IRAN

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Barak's predecessor, Shimon Peres. The cause was also taken up yesterday by the Third Way which announced plans to discuss the idea with both Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu and Barak, and to try to recruit Shas' meotor, Rabbi Ovadia

Yosef, as a go-between.

Tsomet MK Pinni Badash
also came out in support of a
joint government between Likud and Labor.

Proposals for a joint cabinet have been floated in the wake of the Rehov Bco-Yehuda bombings on Thursday, and the recent disasters in Lebanon, incloding the burning deaths of five soldiers late in August and deaths of a dozen naval commandos and a Nahal officer since Friday.

# Weizman praises fallen soldier

By BATSHEVA TSUR and Itim

"My brothers, the Druse, you more than anyone else are worthy of admiration for the great contribution your community has made to the state," President Ezer Weizman said yesterday during a condolence visit to the family of Dr. Maher Dagesh, of Maghar. The 31 fallen in your military

cemetery are proof of the blood ties between us," Weizman added. A large crowd of ootables from the village had joined the mourners at the home of the young doctor. who fell tending the wounded during the aborted mission in Lebanon on Friday morning. Weizman told the family that the nation was united in wanting to reach a situation in which the Lebanese border was like those with Jordan and Egypt. Weizman also visited the

bereaved pareots of Aryc Abramson, of Yavniel, and of Raz Levinas, of Mevasseret Zion, both of whom were killed in the same

Immediately after taking office, Netanyahu stopped attacking Iran and sent quiet signals that he preferred a dialogue. Last month, Israel halted broadcasts by elements opposed to the Iranian regime, which used the Amos satellite.

Diplomatie sources said Balgimbaev referred the Israelis to the Russians, and soon a dialogue developed between National Infrastructure Minister Ariel Sharon and Moscow.

The Russians offered to mediate in the Israeli effort to settle its debt to Iran. Under the proposal, Israel would pay the Russians in goods and technology, and the Russians would

pay off the debt. Sharon declined to be interviewed. "Minister Sharon does not talk about these things," his spokesman Ra'anan Gissin said.

Tawgat Yurigenov, second secretary in the Khazakstan Embassy in Tel Aviv, confirmed that Balgimbaev came in December for medical treatment and held discussions, although he did not have details. "We are very interested in Israeli cooperation and investment in our country, and have appealed to Israelis to do so," he

A Russian diplomat confirmed that Moscow has offered to mediate with Iran. "We think that, as friends of both Israel and Iran, we are best positioned to bring them together,"

A group of Israeli investors was organized by Tel Aviv businessman and journalist Yehoshua Meiri, head of the Israel-Arab Friendship Association, with ties to several countries in the Arab world, to coor-

"We can improve relations with Iran by increasing contacts by private sources who want to invest in Iran," Meiri said. "If Israel gives Iran the standing of regional power, there could he an integration of interests. The two countries have mutual strategic interests. Iran sees Israel as an economic powerbouse and market. Israel sees Iran as a leader in efforts to bring peace."

dinate Israeli investment in Iran.

Mein says he wants to establish a pool of Israeli companies ready to rebuild Iran's infrastructure. This includes joint ventures with Arab partners to invest in building sewage systems, shopping and medical facil-

The proposal to use the Russians to help improve relations has opponents both in the government and in the opposition. "We'd rather not use the Americans or the Russians," a senior government aide said. The Americans might not help us, and the Russians have their own agenda of selling arms to Teheran. We'd rather do it through our own contacts or through others."

He said the government wants to condition any Russian participation on Moscow's cessation of selling technology that would help Iran's

nuclear or ballistic missile program. Sneh said the use of the Russians will harm Israel's standing with the US. "This step by Sharon is very irre-

sponsible, because Russia gives Iran such dangerous capabilities," he said. "How can we ask the US to sanction Russia for its help to Iran when we are going to reward Russia?"

David Menashry, head of Iranian studies at Tel Aviv University, said he does not see any change by Iran toward Israel. He acknowledges that Khatami intends to introduce reforms; but he does not see that affecting policy toward Israel in the

He said Israel has given Iran a litmus test to determine its intentions: whether it pursues its nuclear program and maintains its support of terrorism and its opposition to the Arab-Israeli peace process.

"This is difficult for Iran to pass and for the West to test," he said. "I would determine these tests: First, cancel the fatwa [religious ruling] against Salman Rushdie; then recognize the Jewish state of Israel; and finally, stop supporting Hizbullah." Iranian sources warned their Israeli interlocutors not to raise their

hopes about any secret dialogue. They said results might not be seen Amirahmadi agreed. He said the

Khatami government's foreign policy is focused on first returning European Union ambassadors to Teheran. Then, Iranian diplomats will try to improve relations with the US. Last in line would be efforts toward Israel.

"There isn't much Iran can do to send signals to Israel," be said. "The best thing that Iran can do for Israel is to put the issue on the back-burner, to forget about it altogether."



Lebanese Commander Maher Toufaily (left) and his colleague Adnan Balloui walk to UNIFIL headquarters in Nakoura yesterday for a meeting of the Grapes of Wrath Monitoring

# HEBREW PRESS REVIEW ORLY AHARONE

The tragic events in the Beo-Yehuda pedestrian mall and in southern Lebanon dominated the weekend's opinion pages.

Referring to the Palestioian Authority's impotence in the face of terrorism, A.B. Yeboshua in Yediot Ahronot calls for the establishment of a secure border after a final status agreement with Palestinians is implemented. "It's true that a border entails a large expense and the need for a large work force. But money is poured out like water after every terrorist attack and unemployment is flourishing." lo Ma'ariv Uri Avneri states

that the only way to attain security is through peace, referring to partnership between the two eountries, Israel and Palestine, where the border between them is the Green Line and Jerusalem their shared capital."

Relatiog to the tragedy in Lebanon. Yaron London io Ma'ariv states that we must face the fact that for now, there may be no solution. "Perhaps we have no choice but to accept the idea that we should focus on limited victories that entail painful defeats."

Ha'aretz's Uzi Benziman attacks Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu's reprisal based on force, claiming that it only leads to escalation. "Compromise, not the angry use of force, is the means of terminating the coo-

An Ambusb or Malfunctioo? The enigma surrounding the failed eommando operation drew eommentators to provide their own conjecture. Moshe Zak, in Ma'ariv, claims that Hizbullah's denial of baving advance information on the raid only strengthens the suspicion that Hizbullah did set an ambusb. "It is likely that the same person who informed Israel of the whereabouts of the 'wanted man' also told Amal, Hizbullah, and even the Lebanese Army to set the

Ha'aretz's Ze'ev Sehiff also elaims that the failure was caused by an intelligence leak. "We were caught by surprise and had to pay

a high price in dead and injured because we underestimated our adversary's sophisticatioo."

The Lebanese Dilemma Ma'ariv's Bambi Sheleg questions Yossi Beilin's push to withdraw from Lebanoo. "Beilin and his partners are in love with the concept of facing complex problems through dramatie changes, without eonsideration of the outeome." She adds that a panieky escape from Lebanon cannot be

considered a serious option. Moshe Shamir in Yediot Aharonot elaims that those who speak of a political solutioo in Lebanon actually allude to a full withdrawal from the Golan Heights, although they would oot admit it. He believes the problem lies in the Arab determination to destroy Israel, and oothing can be accomplished unless "a fundamental revolution erupts in their regimes.

Ma'ariv's Shalom Yerushalmi

that Infrastructure Minister Ariel Sharoo is one of the sanest people in the government, after he declared his support for withdrawal from Lebanon. "The experienced Sharon and perhaps [Internal secority Minister] Avigdor Kahalani are the only ones who understand the Syrian games. Sharon consisteotly elaims that our fate in Lebanon should not be dependant on Damascus' good will." A Good Deal

The sale of 43 percent of Bank Hapoalim to the Arisoo group for \$4.8 billion "is the best economic achievement of the Likud governmeot," claims Ma'ariv's Yosef Lapid. He eompares the bank to a cow "that the Histadrut once milked, became an unwelcome guest of the Treasury, and now has achieved its freedom at the hand of the private enterprise, its natural environment."

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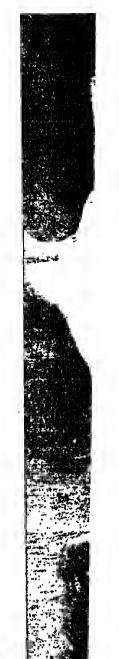
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# in brief

# Tel Aviv University students threaten strike

The Tel Aviv University Student Organization said yesterday it would stage a strike at the opening of the academic year unless the university reached a new wage agreement with junior faculty. Negotiations broke down on Sunday when, according to the faculty union, the university unilaterally cut their pay by 50 per-cent.

Jerusalem Post Staff

### State attorney seeks injunction vs. court workers

The State Attorney's Office has requested an injunction against administrative court workers who have staged sanctions for more than a week. The case will be heard in the Jerusalem Labor Court this morning.

The clerks maintain their workload is too great and that they need more personnel to be hired. Since the clerks are responsible for files, their sanctions have delayed many trials and deten-

### Shilon unsure if phone was tapped

Journalist Dan Shilon is unsure if his phone was tapped, but if it was, it caused him no harm, he testified yesterday in Tel Aviv Magistrate's Court, where Rafi Friedan is being tried for wire-

tapping.

"All of this wiretapping – it nauseates me and is the work of those searching for garbage," Shilon added. "But everyone has

Shimon Sheves, former director-general of the Prime Minister's Office, also testified yesterday.

### Bill would legislate journalistic immunity

The Justice Ministry has prepared draft legislation on immunity for journalists with regard to their sources. It proposes that journalists explicitly receive immunity as do lawyers, doctors, psychologists, social workers, and clergymen. Uotil now, journalist/source immunity was based on a legal precedent. The proposed immunity, known as relative immunity, can be lifted if the sources are substantively important to a court case and if there are no other forms of evidence on which to rely. It can also be lifted if this would prevent a serious crime or injustice. The legislation would decrease somewhat the absolute immunity of

### Survivors call for Croatian reparations

Moshe Zanbar, chairman of the Center of Holocaust Survivor Organizations in Israel, has asked Foreign Minister David Levy to condition diplomatic relations with Croatia oo its returning Jewish property confiscated during the Holocaust.

He also demanded that Croatia admit responsibility for the erimes it committed during the Holocaust and that schools teach about Croatia's roll in murdering Iews. Ierusalem Post Staff



Deputy Defense Minister Silvan Shalom (with tie), who is to take over the Science Ministry in 10 months, chats with protesting ministry workers outside the Prime Minister's Office yesterday.

# Science Ministry staff protests planned closure

Dozeos of Science Ministry staffers demonstrated outside the Prime Minister's Office yesterday, calling Minister Michael Eitan "Mickey Mouse" and carrying signs claiming that "he's speaking only for him-

The ministry's 90 employees have appealed to Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu not to close down it down, arguing that they are concerned not only about their personal funires but about the danger to basic research and infrastructure development, if there is no single "address" with the

prestige of a ministry.

When Eitan passed by the demonstrators to enter the building for the budget discussions, he argued that his plans to establish a statutory National Council for Research and Development would benefit, rather than harm science.

People have giveo their all to the ministry, and now Eitan comes, works here a few weeks, and decides he wants to close it," said one embittered staff member.

Under Eitan's proposal, novelled last week. budget for infrastructure research would be handed over to the Ministry of Industry and Trade, which is now responsible for applied

scientific research. In addition, Eitan would cootinue to serve as science minister - but without the ministry staff - and work out of the Prime Minister's Office.

But Deputy Defense Minister Silvan Shalom, who is to take over as science minister when a rotation agreement takes effect in 10 months, told the protesters that be opposes Eitan's plan, "If Michael Eitan doeso't want to be science minister, let him change places with me now," Shalom said.

The staff called on Netanyahu to immediately appoint a committee of experts to look into all aspects of the future of the ministry

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# **Education Ministry** accused of trying to sabotage Acre Festival

### By HELEN KAYE

Unless the Education Ministry immediately disburses promised funds to the Acre Festival of Alternative Theater, scheduled for Hol Hamoed Succot, there will be no festival this year, organizers said yesterday.

The participation theater groups implied that the ministry is deliberately trying to sabotage the annual fesoval.

"I made a mistake in coming to Acre," said actress Idit Zur, wbo adapted and plays the title role in Aharon Appelfeld's Katrina. "I am a bostage to bureaucrats who doo't care.

To meet financial obligations, the festival needs a minimum of NIS 750,000 of the NIS 1.5 million the ministry promised by September 18.

September 18 is the target date to begin ticket sales, but sales cannot begin unless the festival

### takes place. The festival will not take place if there is no infrastructure, "and the organizations who provide it have to be paid, like hotels, publicity, and productioo costs to the theater groups who have yet to receive a

penny," festival producer Gad

Oron said. To date, less than 20 percent of the money has actually come through. Uri Ofer, chairman of the ministry's Arts and Culture Financial Trust (ACFT), said that

> I get a different runaround and set of excuses every time I call." ACFT is the fiscal arm of the ministry's Arts and Culture Administration (ACA), which is responsible for initiating and

implementing arts projects. According to the ministry, the agreed upon subsidy is NIS 1.3m. of which NIS 1.1m. has already been paid, and the "rest will follow shortly."

# **UK** banks said holding cash from Holocaust victims

LONDON - British banks could be holding as much as \$1.1 billion in dormant accounts opened by Holocaust victims, according to research published yesterday.

The government said it was investigating the claims that victims' assets were not returned by Britain after World War II

The allegations came in a report by the Holocaust Educational Trust, which details how post-war British governments refused to return assets of victims of Nazi-Germany unless they could provide exhaustive proof of suffering.

The trust, which examined newly released and unpublished public records, said there was no evidence that British banks had refused legitimate claims backed by account details.

But it said the banks were not as helpful as they could have been.
"As with the Swiss banks, the burden of proof was on the account holder to be aware of the money, and to find it," the report said.

The trust, whose research was pivotal last year in focusing attention on dormant accounts of Nazi victims held by Swiss banks, wants British banks and the government to publish lists of all victims' accounts and to return the money with interest to their heirs.

The government estimated in 1950 that between one percent and 10% of accounts opened by people in Nazi-occupied countries that Britain re-categorized as "allied" including France, Belgium, Austria, Italy, Luxembourg, Holland and Greece - were unclaimed.

The Department of Trade and Industry has records of 200,000 frozen bank accounts.

"I have asked the government and the banks to make full disclosure and restitution so far as is possible," the trust's chairman, Lord Greville Janner, a former MP and an official of the World Jewish Congress, said,

There is still time to make amends. All we ask is truth and jusnce," he added.

The research was prompted by let-ters to the trust from Holocaust survivers and their families who had read about the furor surrounding unclaimed Swiss bank accounts.

In Switzerland, more than 700 claims have been filed against warera banks. Swiss authorities set up a fund for needy Holocaust survivors this year after international criticism that Swiss banks are sitting on millions, and possibly billions, in Jewish assets.

The trust is working on the problem with Britain's high-street banks, but the absence of centralized records is proving an obstacle. "The banks' response is that it'll be very hard to do anything about these accounts," Stephen Ward, the

the ministry keeps stalling, "and main author of the report, told a news conference. In the case of Hungary, Romania and Bulgaria - which London classed along with Germany as "belligerent enemies" - post-war minis-

ters gave priority to reimbursing British firms that had lost assets rather than to compensating Nazi victims, the trust said.

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# Anti-crime group gathers its forces

Metsila, the Council for Crime Reduction in Israel, yesterday discussed strategies on how police, municipalities, the education system and the public can cooperate in tackling crime.

"Success in reducing crime would only be achieved by full cooperation between the public and the legal authorities," Metsila head Brig.-Gen. (res.) Elyashiv Shimshi

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said during a study day yesterday at the Ramat Aviv Hotel in Tel Aviv. "Coordinatioo and channeling of the resources are required for effective system bandling and are Metsila's prime challenge.

Metsila, which operates under the auspices of the Internal Security Ministry, is reorganizing so that it can better coordinate between various parts of the public sector in fighting crime. Tel Aviv police chief Cmdr. Shlomo

Aharonishky went into detail about Metsila's new goals. "The police have come here to participate in setting Metsila on its way towards improving the quali-

> "We are dealing with a complex and difficult reality made up of many parts." Aharonishky said, tics in the region show a generally low rise in crime. "This year there have been

78,000 criminal files in the area of Tel Aviv, this may sound like a lot. but divided by all the citizens in Gush Dan, it is relatively small compared to other areas in Israel. The most significant rise in crime was in drug-related and in

iuvenile crime. "The new aliya has brought new elements that we do not recognize and has created a new reality, and, today, we are dealing with things that we did not have to deal with

years ago.
"To meet this challenge, we need to look for new ways and a new creative system that can cope with

the reality as best as possible... The emphasis of this system must be on crime prevention which can be achieved by creating new norms, techniques and tools, so that the council can cope with the same problems that the police deal with on the street.

"In this cooperative effort, it is important to clarify what the police must do and what the public must do," he continued, "it seems the public plays a central role, maybe even more so than the police, since it bas the power to explain and to educate and therefore, create a community that does not accept violence and crime."

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# Mobutu Sese Seko dies at 66

Longtime former-Zaire ruler was symbol of African despotism

WASHINGTON - Mobutu Sese Seko, 66, whose despotic and corrupt regime ruled Congo - the country he called Zaire - for 32 years, has died in Morocco. He

Mobutu was forced into exile and lived in Rabat, after he was toppled in a bloody civil war in May.
The official Moroccan news

agency said Mobutu died at Mohamed V military hospital "after a long illness." He had long suffered from prostate cancer and spent much of the last year of his rule in France under treatment for the advancing disease.

He fled his capital, Kinshasa, on May 16, one day before a powerful rebel force led by Laurent Kabila marched into the city to claim victory after a seven-month civil war. Kabila supplanted a reign of corruption that had made Mobutu a billionaire and reduced one of Africa's largest and most impor-tant countries to poverty and

Only Morocco's King Hassan II agreed to give him asylum.

A former sergeant who rose to be army commander in chief and then president. Mobum seized power in the former Belgian Congo in 1965, five years after it gained indepen-

Mobutu was credited with providing his mineral-rich and strategically placed homeland a measure of peace and stability. During the Cold War, he was hailed in the West as a bulwark against commu-

He stayed in office through political guile, the constructive sharing of graft with colleagues and potential enemies, outright oppression, including torture and murder, and a marked ability for making himself appear to be indispensable.

Throughout his career, Mobotu received crucial aid from foreign allies with varying strategic, economic, political and commercial interests in central Africa. His chief patron for much of that time was the United States, which provided about \$2 billion in foreign assistance. In return, Washington got a secure base for operations in neighboring Angola, where Western-backed UNITA rebels were locked in a long civil war with a Marxist government supported by Havana and Moscow.

France and Belgium were key Mobutu allies in Europe. Both sent paratroops to help him quell disturbances. So did Morocco. France operations in Chad and elsewhere fire in his wake."



Mobutu Sese Seko, seen in his last public appearance while attending the Central African Presidents' summit in Libreville, Equatorial Guinea, last May.

in its former African empire. At stake was a country that covers half the area of the United States, shares borders with nine other African nations and holds vast potential wealth. Its mineral resources include 65 percent of the world's known reserves of cobalt

uranium, gold, oil and diamonds. Mobutu sought to bold his ethnically diverse nation together by "authentically" African and by presenting himself as its creator and

Savior

and large deposits of copper, tin,

In 1971, he changed its name, and that of the great river that runs through it, from Congo to Zaire. The following year he changed his own name. The former Joseph-Desire Mobutu became Mobutu Sese Seko Kuku Ngbendu wa za Banga, which, according to an official translation, means, "The all-powerful warrior who, because of his inflexible will to wir, will go received a base in his country for from conquest to conquest leaving

Zaire. Mobutu's human rights abuses cracked down. After students were last October. (Washington Post)

Mobutu also made himself the object of a personality cult. In the controlled news media he was called the Guide, the Father of the Nation, the Messiah. Television pictured him descending god-like from the clouds. His mother was

compared to the Virgin Mary. The defining characteristic of Mobutu's rule was corruption. He was the chief beneficiary, gaining a fortune estimated at anywhere from \$5 billion to \$10 billion. Stealing was so widespread that the word "kleptocracy" was coined to describe the regime.

Mobutu had extensive holdings

in Zaire, as well as deposits and several estates in Europe. For visits abroad, he sometimes chartered a Concorde. In the 1980s, he imported 5,000 sheep from Venezuela for one of his ranches; he did it by ordering a government-owned DC-8 to make 32 round trips between Caracas and

counted for less in Washington than his anticommunist credentials. Mobutu first became an "asset" of the CIA in 1959, and

first visit to the White House in 1963, as an army chief of staff, and as a guest of President John F. Kennedy.

President Ronald Reagan twice welcomed him to Washington and called him "a voice of good sense and goodwill." President George Bush entertained him at his summer retreat in Maine.

By the early 1990s, however, the conditions that had made him a valuable ally had changed. The great rivalry between Washington and Moscow had been settled. US diplomats began to suggest that the time had come for Mobutu to step

In the end he began to lose his grip as a result of mismanagement and graft. As the economy declined, opposition increased.

killed during a demonstration in Lubumbashi, the United States responded by cutting off all aid except bumanitarian assistance.

In 1991 and 1993, riots by the Zairian army tipped the situation into free-fall crisis. Kinshasa and other cities were looted with heavy loss of life.

In 1994, Mobutu regained a measure of support when he allowed international aid organizations into the country to care for more than 1 million refugees who had fled tribal warfare in Rwanda. The exodus began when extremists among Rwanda's Hutu majority went on a killing rampage and massacred bundreds of thousands of Tutsis. A Tutsi-led rebel force then seized power, triggering a flood of Hutu refugees who feared Tutsi reprisal.

An estimated 350,000 Hutus remained in Zaire. They exacerbated relations with Zairian Tutsis, who joined forces with Laurent In the context of the Cold War, And as unrest grew, the regime Kabila when he began his rebellion

Intercon USA Inc. He said he wants for Shadrin's death. Although Kahigin

Despite published reports in the Russian press that Kalugin is helping Soviet spy insisted that he has not been the source of any information.

"In my own country I am vilified."

Saying that be understood his situation makes him suspect, Kahigin said, "I have no complaints. I have no rights to claim anything. My options are open. I am not a defector and free to go home at any time, though it is a risky business." (Washington Post)

# No tears for Mobutu

Column One

Thomas O'Dwyer

No crowds will weep for was oot all it's cracked up to be. Mobutu Sese Seko. No flowers The young officer rose swiftly in will be piled in mounds outside his score of mansions and palaces. No throngs of poor but grateful Third World people will file past his bier.

That alone should send a more powerful lesson to modern leaders than any they could learn from Princess Diana or Mother Teresa. If you want to die alone, unwanted, despised, and soon forgotten, you don't bave to be one of Mother Teresa's destitute slum dwellers. Be a Mobutu Sese Seko

Mobutu always declared himself a Roman Catholic, despite the animist magical superstitions be cunningly used to help control Zaireans. He obviously had little

time for the key Christian text: "What does it profit a man if he gains the whole world and loses his soul."

Of course some at least in his family will grieve for him before they turn their attendon to the considerable spoils. But Mobotu was oot a private persoo like most of us - he was the alleged ruler of a

and Diana together could ever have reached.

Beckooed by a whimsical African fly-whisk of fate to lead his people, be ruined them instead, plundering one of the world's ricbest countries for his personal gain.

Our cronies

And while the self-righteous West is now tut-tutting over the atrocities of Mobutu's regime, no one should forget he was a Cold War creation of the United States. In the twisted morality of those days - he may have been a sonofabitch, but he was our sonofabitcb - he may have turned Zaire into a slave camp, but it was a capitalist slave camp (he and his cronies got ricb). That had to be better than a Marxist slave camp (the ruler and his cronies get ricb).

Mobutu died in the early hours of yesterday in Morocco, only four months after the rebel Laurent Kabila finally forced him to relinquish his grip of Zaire. Mobutu gave the country that came in 1971 - Kabila promptly revived the former came -Democratic Republic of Congo - a first step in obliterating the dictator's legacy.

It may bave seemed like Mobutu bad been with us forever - but he was only 66. In Congo, the radio and television didn't even bother to anoounce bis departure. Few remembered a fact that made the silence all the more ironic. Mobutu started adult life day a newspaper publishes the list as a journalist. The media he had silenced for so long finally oblitcrated his own name.

Joseph Desire Mobutu abandoned his fledgling media career for the military in 1960 as independence for the Belgian Congo loomed. Media power obviously his new career, all the way first to chief of staff, then to commanderin-chief of the army.

Two to Katanga
This was by virtue of his close association with Patrice Lumumba, the charismatic (but Pau-African leftist) first prime minister. He appointed Mobutu his private secretary. Mobutu's rapid promotions came in the wake of the messy civil war of the Katanga secession when he was tasked with crushing rebellious troops. Only three months after independence, he staged his first coup, effectively ousting Lumumba. But it was the 1965

coup that clinched his power after five years of civil disturbances. An anti-Mobutu rebel at the time, Kabila was banished to the wild east. There he remained, lost in obscurity, waiting 30 years for his day to arrive.

Western countries nodded approvingly one more bastion against communist expansion in Africa was in place. Mobutu made oo pretence of

huge country, being a democrat, set-responsible for three decades for ting up the tried African formula more millions of lives than Teresa of one man, one party, that's it. In Zaire, he was sitting on a goldmine - and a copper mine, and

a diamond mine. The wealth of the huge country bankrolled the poverty of its people. The leader's estimated personal fortune swelled to \$5 billion at its peak. At his death he owned some 20 mansions scattered across the haunts of the rich and famous in Europe, as well as bis palaces in Zaire.

Hot potato Despite bis ill health, Mobutu might have lasted in power till the end but for Mikhail Gorbachev. As the Cold War collapsed, Mobutu became a bot potato for the West. There was no disguising the corruption, despotism, and power abuse in the government and the wretched poverty, disease and human rights abuses in the country. In a twitch of new-found conscience, Belgium, France and the United States cut all military and financial aid to Mobutu. When the dormant old enemy, Kabila, decided the structure was rotten enough, he empted from the east, crossing the country in a wave of conquests to finish the job. In final indignity the vicious old clown in the leopard-skin hat wandered through Togo and Morocco, refused by his old friends in Paris to he allowed into the country even for medical treatment.

Meanwhile, back in the jungle of promises made by the new President Kabila which remain non-starters. At least there is still a checky newspaper. But there's not much sign yet that Kabila too isn't setting himself up for an eventual unlamented departure. Mobutu-style, not Teresa-style.

# 'New Republic' editor fired for anti-Clinton line

By HOWARD KURTZ

WASHINGTON - Michael Kelly was fired as editor of the New Republic on Friday, after owner Martin Peretz decided he could no longer tolerate Kelly's releotless attacks on President Bill Clinton and Vice President Al

The chasm between Mike's opinions and mine, and Mike's opinions and those of other editors, was both wide and increasingly deep," said Peretz, a close friend of the vice president for three decades. "There was no other voice on the Clinton administracion but his."

Kelly said the firing-by-phone came days after he refused to publish an unsigned item by Peretz saying the latest allegacions of improper fund-raising by Gore were "overblown and old news." Kelly added: "I didn't think that should be our editorial position. I

wrote him a memo saying,

'Here's why I think you're wrong and I'm right." He said there were also management issues on which Peretz "felt l had gone agaiost bis will, whether we run this or that. We have had our disagreements. I regarded them as operational and

not a big deal, and I guess he did-A former New York Times reporter and Washington correspondent for the New Yorker, Kelly had been running the magazine for just nine months. Peretz named Charles Lane, a longtime New Republic writer and former Newsweek correspondent, as

Kelly's successor. Kelly's ouster was greeted with glee at the White House. He wrote the magazine's "TRB" column, which he used almost weekly to bash Clinton as a spineless opportunist and recount the latest twists of the Democratic fund-raising scandal. Breaking a long New Republic tradition dating back to the late John Osborne, Kelly hired no one to write the "White House

Watch" column. When Peretz gave him the news, Kelly said, "he mentioned specifically the subject of Clinton scandals and that I had written so many columns about that and he didn't like that."

On Gore specifically, Kelly said, Peretz "had expressed to me in the past some concerns on that subject." But Peretz said be "never actually had words" with Kelly about Gore, and "encouraged him to cover the vice presi-

There have been public hints of such disagreements before. In March, wheo Kelly criticized Gore for having made fund-raising calls from the White House, the same issue contained an unsigned Perctz item dismissing the "tizzy of moral outrage." In a subsequent signed column, Peretz said that "Al Gore ... does not cut corners, ethically or intellectual-ly," but that "a scandal-hungry press" was depicting him as "a Clintonian figure."

Peretz, who lives in Cambridge Massachusetts, and holds the title of editor-in-chief, has been close to the vice president since Gore was his student at Harvard in the late 1960s.

In a strikingly tepid editorial endorsing Clinton's reelection. the New Republic bailed Gore as "a genuinely serious man with a view of the future both bolder and more ouanced than any other person in our public life. He will, we hope, increasingly define the nature of a second Clinton term." Kelly, 40, the son of a

Washington newspaperman, said it is "simply not true" that he kept other political voices out of the magazine. He said he viewed the New Republic as a "big tent" and has run "all sorts of articles I didn't agree with." In one case, he said, he declined Peretz's suggestion that a staffer write about the Senate fund-raising hearings because that writer was busy and lacked the proper "expertise." In bucking the boss, Kelly said. "there have been a oumber of occasions on which it bas occurred to me I was risking my

One New Republic insider described the staff as depressed: "People feel they can't write about Gore. If they write pro-Gore pieces, they look like Marty tools. If they write anti-Gore pieces, they'll face Marty's anger. A lot of us feel it's an unacceptable way for a political magazine to be run." (Washington Post)

# Green-card request by former head of KGB alarms CIA

By WALTER PINCUS

WASHINGTON - Retired KGB Maj.-Gen. Oleg Kalugin, a former chief of Soviet espionage and counterintelligence, last week denounced as "remnants of the Cold War" current and former CIA claudestine officers who oppose his application for permanent legal residence in the US.

He said the Washington-based consulting company he worked for had "encountered problems" after beginning the process of getting him a green card several months ago. The 63-year-old former top Soviet spy said at a news conference that he understood the "stiff opposition is somewhere in the CIA" though, he added, "it looks as if the retired [CIA officers] are in charge."

Kalugin spoke in Arlington, Virginia, before receiving an award from Sources Journal, a magazine covering intelligence, for his "contributions to the advancement of truth and integrity in government."

Kalugin said that he had oot applied personally to the Immigration and Naturalization Service for a green card but that an application had been filed by his current employer, the consulting firm

a green card now because he has offers from several corporations that

desire his services. "I never defected. I never betrayed my country. I never cooperated with a death sentence in Russia." any agency of the United States or any other country," Kalugin said.
"I'm a Russian citizen trying to make
my life decent and live in dignity."

Paul Joyal, Kalugin's colleague at Intercon and a former staff member of the Senate intelligence committee, confirmed that he had applied to the INS for a green card as the sponsor of the former KGB official and that "resistance" has developed.

Other sources, who asked not to be quoted, said officials within the US intelligence community were pressing to have Kalugin deliver significant new information about his former intelligence activities beyond the account published in 1994 in his book, The First Directorate.

Former CIA operatives who oppose his application for a green card point to his acknowledgment in that book of his participation in the death of a US citizen and double agent, Nicholas Shadrin, in 1975.

On Thursday, Kalugin charged that the CIA should bear the responsibility said he had planned the kidnapping of Shadrin in Vienna, "the real blame for his death should be on those who sent him to Austria knowing he was facing

US intelligence officials, the former CIA officials have refused to comment on the matter.

Kalugin said, pointing out that he was the first ex-KGB official to criticize that organization in 1990 as being a threat to Russian democracy. "I am a culprit in the eyes of many. They call me a traitor and they cut my grounds from returning home.... My reappearance back home today would be a boon to those who hate and want to see me in the grave. That's the reason why I do not feel like going home today."

# SF transit on strike

OAKLAND, Ca. (AP) - Traffic slowed to a crawl around San Francisco yesterday as thousands of commuters were forced into cars or already-crowded buses because of a strike by rail transit workers.

Freeways overloaded at rush hourunder normal circumstances were strained to the breaking point by the 275,000 daily commuters who would normally take the Bay Area Rapid Transit.

I just hope it ends soon," said Lisa Appleberry, an attorney who rode a bus to San Francisco from her home in Oakland. "It's a major inconvenience for working people because they're the ones who use public transportation."

Another woman riding the bus, Sharon Kidd of Berkeley, said her normal 15-minute commute on BART turned into a 3 1/2-hour nightmare as bus after bus passed her by, too full to fit in even one

"Give these people whatever they want and let us get back to our normal commute," bus passenger Dee Jackson said. BART's 2,600 train operators and mechanics walked out Sunday in a pay dispute, idling 56 trains that are a key part of the transit system for a metropolitan area

with 6.3 million residents.

While the strike goes on, commuters were arged to use car pools, buses, or ferries, while bosses were asked to let employees with computers and modems work from home. Richard Eng., a surgical technician from Berkeley, had a different solution: He drove his trailer-home into San Francisco during the early

morning hours and slept in it. "I'll take it over there tonight so I don't have to deal with traffic," Eng. 31, said Sunday. "I know people there whose kitchens or bathrooms I

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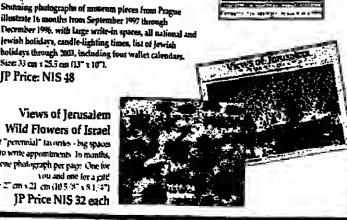
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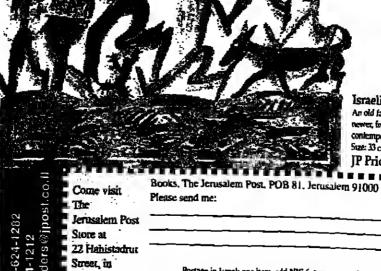












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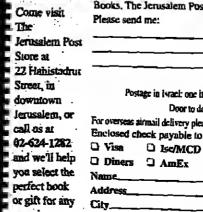
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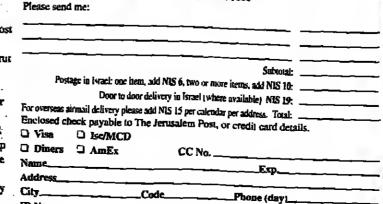
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# Back in the saddle again'

US Border Patrol agents are fighting illegal immigration - on horseback

### By WILLIAM BOOTH

DULZURA, California — Elias Herrera reins his big dun to a halt, turns in the saddle, creaking leather, looks down and counts. "Five, six, seven." He is pointing at tracks left along a fire-scarred ridge top in the Otay Mountains east of San Diego. It is brittle dry, and the twilight air smells like hot grass and warm horses. He rides on, reading the signs, how worn or fresh, how deep or sharp, what the dew or wind has done.

Elias Herrera is tracking bumans. He is good at this, and lists the brand names of the shoes and sneakers that left the signs. He has tracked high heels through the desert and bare feet. This evening, based on the size of the prints, he guesses five men, plus a woman and child. The child is unusual this far into the desert mountains.

"They came across this morning," Herrera says, and they were moving north, of course, from Mexico, from the border, which ont here is not marked by fence or river, but is real enough, just 8 km.

It could have taken the group two days to reach this spot, hiding by day, darting forward at night, trying to elude not only the horses but everything else.

Where are they now? Herrera squints, shrugs, "Could be laid up waiting for dark in a draw somewheres," he says. "Could be in L.A." Herrera is a leader of the US

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Border Patrol's Mounted Unit, San Diego sector, and under his command are about 20 agents who ride the mountains and canyons far east of the city, in terrain too rough and isolated for trucks. They do this at night, some nights so dark a rider can't see farther than a horse's ears, can't see the barbed wire until he feels it, can't see the ravines that fall off like the sides of buildings.

While the debate over the costs and benefits of illegal immigration continues in the state capitals and Washington, out here in these beautifully rough badlands, things are reduced to the elements. Heat and rock. Smugglers and crossers

- the polleros and pollos. And, of course, la migra, the Border Patrol.

Spending a few nights riding the ravines and ridge lines with the mounted unit offers an insight into the brave new world of border control - a frontier that has been so radically altered in the last few years as to be unrecognizable to those who have not seen it recently.

A century ago, when the Border Patrol was first formed, all agents were on horseback. But over the years, the animals were replaced by all the new technologies of the increasingly militarized frontier: There are now all-seeing helicopters and underground sensors, night-vision scopes and all-terrain vehicles, searchlights and higher fences, speedboats and mountain bikes, and a big computer to keep

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Mexico. Agents on horseback are now being redeployed from California to Texas — because there is a new mission. The federal government, after years of neglect, has pledged to return the rule of law to the borderlands. Thousands of new Border Patrol agents have been hired and millions of dollars spent on equipment in an attempt to con-

But the borses and their riders

are making something of a come-back along the 2,560-km. border

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track of all the traffic.

trol illegal immigration. By all accounts, the San Diego sector was out of control.

In the last few years, the Border Patrol has initiated a series of new operations, including "Operation Gatekeeper" in San Diego, where they threw personnel and equip-ment into "the worst five miles of border in the world" and have succeeded in greatly curtailing the attempted crossings in the areas closest to the sea and the American suburbs south of San Diego, the sections known as

mperial Beach and Chula Vista. Where agents once made thousands of arrests in a shift in Imperial Beach and Chula Vista, they now make a hundred, sometimes fewer.

But it is no secret that Operation Gatekeeper, while controlling illegal crossings in one section, has simply pushed immigrants east of the city, into the rugged mountains and deserts, where the numbers of arrests have dramatically increased. And so, too, has the danger.

fence and run for it," Herrera says. "You know, a sprint. Hundred yards. They either made it or they didn't. The whole thing took five minutes. Now they're out here two, three days. Sometimes more." Herrera's father's family still has relatives in Mexico, but he has no regrets about his job. "This is

They used to crawl through the

respectable work," he says. "The horses like the work," says Carmen Wilson, the tough, leathery blonde who supervises the mounted units. "They see things

In the cooling night air, after the

flies have disappeared, the agents sit on their mounts and wait at a likely intersection for "traffic." That is what the agents call the illegal crossers.

Traffic. Or hits. "It depersonal.

izes'it," Herrera explains.
"The horses will hear them first," Wilson says. First, their ears will lift and then their heads will turn toward the sound. You can feel the horse between your legs," she says. "Their hearts start pounding." The horses actually lean forward, wanting to give chase.

The mountains here are mined with hundreds of seismic sensors, many dating from the Vietnam War. About the size of a suitcase, they are buried by the Border Patrol along likely routes. From time to time, the radios carried by the agents announce "hits" at the numbered sensors, "Four at 1422" means four people - or sometimes four coyotes or cows - tripped the sensor at location 1422, a code for a coordinate on a big grid of sensors tracked by a computer at headquarters.

More powerful than the sensors are the scopes. Each night, agents drive their trucks to the billtops and set up night-vision scopes on tripods, and and scan the landscape. On the greenish screens, heat is shown as a white light. The scopes are good enough so that an agent can watch rabbits - shown as hopping white dots -- from 5 km. away.

On the scope, some of the crossers run and hide in the brush. But you can't hide your body heat. The agent operating the scope radios to the mounted riders directions to their quarry. "Right in front of you. Twenty feet. A little to your left. You're right on top of them." That night they rounded up 108 trying to make the crossing.

The government wants to prosecute the smugglers, but it is diffi-cult. Smugglers often warn their charges that if they rat them out to the Border Patrol, there will be a price to pay back home in Mexico.

The cost of crossing, according to anecdotal reports, has increased along with the difficulty of the jour-ney. Where it once cost \$50, some crossers now say they are paying as much as \$500 for the trip to Los Angeles. (The Washington Post)

# The press had a carnival with Di

Media Update

WASHINGTON - "GHOULS." That was the banner headline in New York's Daily News, referring to the paparazzi who swarmed over Princess Diana's wrecked car.

But above the logo, the paper proclaimed: "12 Pages on Princess Di."

Plenty of news organizations seemed a little ghoulish themselves after five straight days of saturation coverage, much of it maudlin, overbearing and breathtakingly excessive. Everyone elite newspapers and lowly tabloids, newsmagazines rushing out special issues, superstar anchors

camped out in London, local stations grabbing the grieving at the British Embassy, talk-show hosts talking about nothing else - was feasting on the aftermath of Diana's death. It was an OJ. Simpson-like wave that swamped all else in its path, building ou itself as it roared toward Saturday's funeral.

"Hounding Diana: What's Needed — New Laws or Common Decency?" Internet news site MSNBC asked, without apparent irony, in a telephone call-in poll. This came a day after a poll called Death of Diana — Who's to Blame?"

"Who will be blamed for Diana's death?" asked Pat Buchanan on CNN's Crassfire.
A worldwide backlash that initial-

ly focused on the in-your-face tactics of the paparazzi has now spread to the media in general. Local reporters who've never done a royalty story in their lives say they've been insulted when seeking personon-the-street interviews about Diana. The day after Diana's death, construction workers in New Zealand attacked a female newspaper photographer who arrived to cover an accident. "Didn't you do enough killing someone yesterday?" one said."

"Normal" people should be "grossed out and sickened" by the sight of "human tragedy reduced to cheap melodrama," a Wall Street Journal editorial declared. "If I were running a magazine, I,

too, would find it an irresistible typhoon," said former New York magazine editor Kurt Andersen. "But what is there to say on the fifth, sixth or seventh day? I find my own boredom level being reached pretty quickly. Maybe it's because I'm not female or I'm not British. But I just don't get the

the other day, 'This is the most important event since John F. Kennedy was assassinated,' it really gets into the realm of the insane." Andersen now writes for The New Yorker, which featured reminiscences of Diana by its British editor, Tina Brown, in a special issue

last week. To be sure, the volume of coverage comes as little surprise.

Journalists pounce on tragedy. When a plane goes down or a building is blown up, small armies of reporters arrive. Start with the death of a glamorous princess. throw in the role of the pursuing photographers and the

drunk driver and you've instantly achieved critical mass. But the sheer level of spectacle is something else. Barbara Walters and Larry King reflecting on their encounters with the princess. "She felt comfortable with People," former People editor Lanny Jones told his successor, Carol Wallace, recalling his 1994 off-the-record tea at Kensington Palace.

"I believe that this woman was one of the most significant women of our time," program host Geraldo Rivera told viewers.

Jane Kirtley of the Reporters' Committee for Freedom of the Press said she found the media "canonization" of Diana less than professional. While it's fine for admirers to grieve openly for the princess, she said, "I am really troubled by these network news people jumping into the fray and taking the same position."

Celebrities have also blanketed the airwaves, seizing upon the tragedy to complain about overly aggressive photographers: Torn Cruise, George Clooney, Sylvester Stallone and Luciano Pavaroui, Fran Drescher and Whoopi Goldberg joined the chorus on Larry King Live.

Journalists have been endlessly creative in supplying new angles. USA Today did a cover story on Great Brington, the sleepy English village where Diana was buried. The Sun on Thursday quoted a Paris jeweler as saying he created a \$200,000 diamond ring that Diana's companion, Dodi Fayed, gave her at their last dinner. WCBS radio in New York found 2 couple who had hired Diana as a London babysitter.

Still, the argument goes, the media are giving people what they want.
(The Washington Post)

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# You say you want a devolution

Labor's plan for Scottish and Welsh parliaments is drawing enthusiasm and criticism

### By GERRARD RAVEN

LONDON - In the words of Prime Minister Tony Blair, voters in Scotland and Wales have the chance this month to inaugurate "an essenoal part of the new Britain."

Opponents of his scheme say the creation of parliaments to run the internal affairs of the two countries could lead to the splitting of the 290-year-old nation-state whose empire once spanned the globe.

"We are at the beginning of a motorway without exit to the break-up of the United Kingdom," said Tam Dalyell, the Scottish Labor MP whose name is synonymous with opposition to devolution of power from

A decision to suspend campaigning for the Welsh and Scottish referendums last week because of the death of Princess Diana brings only a pause in a heated political debate.

Yet what Blair and his opponents are

arguing about is no greater a degree of self-rule than the peoples of Spanish Catalonia and Germany's Bavaria, oot to mention California or Texas, have taken for granted Scottish electors will be first to the polls on

September 11 for a two-question referendum. They are almost sure to approve plans for a 129-member Edinburgh assembly able to make laws affecting them, since polls indicate around two-thirds of Scots back the

But they are less certain about the second question; whether to give it powers to raise

or lower income tax by up to 3 percent.
The hopes of "No" campaigners were raised last month by allegations of corruption in the Scottish Labor Party following an internal party investigation into the suicide of Labor MP Gordon McMaster. On September 18, it is the turn of the Welsh, whose proposed Senedd (senate)

law-making or tax-varying authority.
The Celtic nation, which turned down devolution plans submitted to it in 1979 by 4 to 1, is, polls show, far from certain to endorse Blair'a new plans.

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'Changing the way we are governed [is not] an afterthought, a detailed fragment of our program. I regard it as an essential part of the new Britain," Blair said in a recent lecture.



Considering their experiences in Northern Ireland, Brits are left wondering if a successful devolution is just a pipe dream.

But Dalyell, who is now threatened with deselection as Labor candidate for the Linlithgow constituency because of his opposition to devolution, said: "This is the dewiring of Britain. I'm not going to be silenced." Dalyell has formulated the question that all British pro-devolutionists struggle to answer. "If there is a Scottish parliament, why should Scottish MPs in the London parliament vote on, say, English transport policy, when

Scottish transport policy is decided in Edinburgh?" Labor's opponents say its enthusiasm for devolution has been encouraged by a desire to stifle the Scottish National Party's campaign for full independence, which won the separatist party the support of 22 percent of Scots in Britain's May i election.

The Conservatives say this is the worst possible reason for introducing reforms which are bound to set England, deprived of

any powers to govern itself except through the British parliament in which 112 Scots and Welsh MPs sit, against its two neighbors. New Tory leader William Hague told the party's Scottish conference in June:

Labor's plans would slowly, but inevitably, introduce tensions into the United Kingdom ... tensions that the Nationalists would rush to exploit." But Hague's words carry less weight since his party, the only important political force battling for the constitutional status quo, failed to win a single seat in either Scotland or Wales in May. Labor won the bulk of the constituencies in both coun-

Scottish Nationalist leader Alex Salmond has made clear he will not be satisfied with only a devolved assembly for his country.

Justifying the decision taken by his party last month to campaign for a "Yes, Yes" vote to both questions in the referendum, Salmond said: "Once Scots taste power, then we believe they will want the whole thing." Such a prospect is far more remote in Wales, where support for independence is strong only in the few rural areas where the old Welsh language is widely spoken and where road signs in English are often paint-

Plaid Cymru, the Welsh nationalist party, won a 10th of the votes in the principality in May and because of the concentration of its support has four of Wales'a 40 MPs, a higher proportion than its more popular Scottish counterpart's six out of 72.

Hesitation about devolution in Britain may be the greater because the country's only recent experience of the idea, in Northern Ireland, was far from a success. After the Irish Republic won indepen-

dence in 1921, Britain set up a parliament at Stormont in Belfast for the remaining six counties in Northern Ireland.

The assembly allowed Protestants to dominate power in the province, stoking up resentments among Catholics which spilled over into violence in the 1970s, when Stormont was scrapped.

But Labor's plans for Scottish and Welsh parliaments include elections by proportional representation which should ensure that ruling parties in both countries will have to share power with other political forces.

# A slow boat to Kuwait

Iranian job seekers are risking their lives to take part in the petrodollars

Mideast

KUWAIT - On a moonless night in Iran, 36-year-old Ahmad Reza kissed his sleeping child good-bye and promised his sobbing wife a bener life upon his return from

His companions, who sneaked to Kawait in the same flimsy boat, said he never made it to the

rich Arab state. He drowned, they told Reza's childhood friend Ali who was awaiting his arrival in Kuwait after reaching the city a week earli-

They left the boat off Fintas [south of Kuwait City] and swam to the beach," said Ali, who

drives an American cab in Kuwait. "Ahmad was not a good swimmer." In contrast, Ali came to Kuwait in a fast boat during daylight with a Kowaiti work permit

Ahmad, however, was one of bundreds of undocumeoted Iranian job seekers who flock to Kuwait each month.

For many Iranian job seekers the 50-km. trip across the Gulf is a lifetime dream. It is an opportunity to make 10 times as much money than they could in their homeland.

The so-called "infiltrators" pay about three million rials (\$1,000) to boat keepers for the perilous journey to Kuwait in the hope of finding a job. Some boats manage, under the

cover of dark, to slip past Kuwait's patrol boats and the state's floating checkpoint which inspects vessels for barred goods and illegal immigrants.

On land, police arrest about 100 illegal Iranian immigrants each month, diplomats say. The "more fortunate ones" take low-paid jobs and keep a low profile to avoid cootact with police and labor inspectors, they say.

"When the police crack down on. us, we hide at home for a week without pay," said Hashemi, anillegal immigrant, who works on building sites.

street in a Hawalli suburb, hoping a building contractor will hire them at a daily rate of 10 dinars

Kuwaiti courts traditionally jail illegal immigrants for six months before they are deported at their own expense, lawyers

> Kuwait bas been a favorite destioation for Iranian emigrants in recent decades. Some Iranians in Kuwait believe high unemployment rates at home has increased the flow of workers out of the country. "There are no jobs,

that is why they take the risk of going in a small boat to Kuwait without a visa," said Mchdi, an Iranian grocer io

Iran has a population of more than 60 million, with an unemployment rate of 10.7 percent and 20 percent inflation.

Laborers earn about 200,000 rials (\$70) a month in Iran. In Kuwait they can earn up to \$700. Although each of the two countries sits on 10 percent of the world's total proven oil reserves, Iran has 30 times Kowait's popu-

Kuwait places tough curbs on foreign workers anxious to collect a share of the country's petrodollars.

"As long as we have enough unskilled [foreign] workers in the country, we are against allowing more of them to come. We already have too many," said a Labor Ministry official Kuwait hosts 1.25 million for-

eigners mainly from Arab and Asian countries. Drug peddling is another prob-

lem for Kuwaiti officials. "I came with two people who

said they planned to work in a scrap yard. Two weeks later they were arrested for trading in hashish," said an Iranian illegal immigrant.

Some of the "infiltrators" carry narcotics to recover the cost of the trip, he said. "I think it is all right to bring a little hashish, but oot to Hashemi and his colleagues wait make a business out of it," an patiently in the mornings on a Iranian plumber said. (Reuters)

# Scotland, Wales recall past battles with England

### By GERRARD RAVEN

LONDON - Centuries of struggle against English domination form the emonionally charged background to referenda on "home side" this month in Scotland and Wales. The names of heroes like Scotland's Robert the Bruce and

Owain Glyndwr of Wales are being invoked by pro-devolutionists who want their countries to take the best opportunity for generations to grab a measure of power back from London. Britain's new Labor government

is proposing a parliament with tax-varying and legislative powers in Edioburgh and a more modest Senedd (senate) which would take local administrative cootrol in Cardiff. The new Edinburgh parliament

would be a far cry from the sovereignty once enjoyed by the Scots, whose kings and chieftains were ever-ready to defend their domains against the English invader.

But Wales has only fitfully existed as an independent nation - the

century - and many modern nationalists prize its ancient Celtic language above such symbols of national identity as a parliameot.

Edward I was the first English king to claim sovereignty over the whole of what is oow Britain when he declared himself feudal overload of Scotland in 1290, installing John Balliol as his vassal king.

By that time, Welsh-speaking princelings had been fighting for more than a century to resist repeated incursions by the Normans, who had long conquered England, into their territories.

Norman castles dating from this period are dotted around Wales, the most famous being in the oorthern town of Caemarfon where Prince Charles, heir to Queen Elizabeth, was invested as Prince of Wales in 1969. Campaigning for the Scottish and Welsh referenda was suspended this week because of the death of Charles's ex-wife Diana,

Princess of Wales. Revolts by William Wallace. played by Mel Gibson in the film last time at the height of the Braveheart, and Robert the Bruce

Glyndwr rebellion in the early 15th were eventually crushed by the century — and many modern weight of English arms.

They were followed a century later, by the great Welsh uprising under Glyndwr at the beight of which the Celtic nation held the only parliaments in its history.

A little more than a century later, the Tudors, a Welsh family, ascended the English throne, giving their countrymen brief hope that the tables were to be turned on the

But the Tudors showed scant respect for their roots, and in 1536 passed an Act of Union declaring Wales to be "for ever and henceforth incorporated and annexed" into England.

On the death of the last Tudor monarch, Elizabeth I, in 1603, the English throne passed to James VI of Scotland. For more than a century after

this, Scotland had its own parlia-ment, which was united with that of England in 1707. The Jacobite rebellions of 1715 and 1745, the latter led by Bonnie

Prince Charlie, marked the last mil-

itary efforts by the Scots to over-

throw this arrangement, and were bloodily put down. Even oow, Scotland is in the

unusual position of being part of a larger nation state, but having its own legal system. Certain parliamentary bills are framed to apply either to England

and Wales, or to Scotland. As Britain's empire grew in the held that Scotland and Wales were irrelevant historical entities.

Referring to the Welsh poetry and music festivals, or eisteddfods, which still flourish today throughout Wales, The Times wrote in 1847: "An eisteddfod ... is simply a foolish interference with the natural progress of civilization and prosper-"Schoolchildren in Wales were forbidden to speak Welsh in class while their Scottish counterparts learned the names of the English kings starting with William the Conqueror in 1066 rather than those of the Scottish monarchs Macbeth,

Malcolm III or Donald Bane. The 20th century has seen a gradnal renaissance of Scottish and Welsh nationalism. The first MPs

calling for independence were elected in both countries in the 1960s. There are oow 10, six from .Scotland and four from Wales, alongside scores of pro-devolutionists from the Labor and Liberal

Democratic parties. The demand for some transfer of power from England was hammered home in the May 1 British general election, when not a sing member of parliament was elected in either country for the Conservative Party, the only major

political force resisting constitutional change. Alex Salmond, leader of the Scottish Nationalists, is upbeat about his party's prospects in an election for an Edinburgh parliament, which will be by proportion-

al representation. We have fought every general election campaign playing away from home," he said after a special party congress agreed to campaign for a 'yes' vote in the referendum. "If we fought a Scottish parliament campaign, then we will be fighting on our home pitch."

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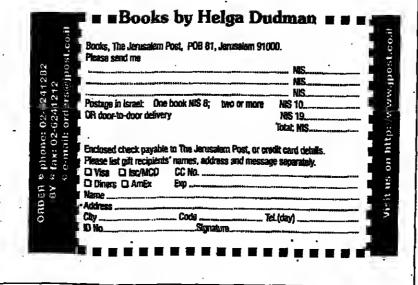
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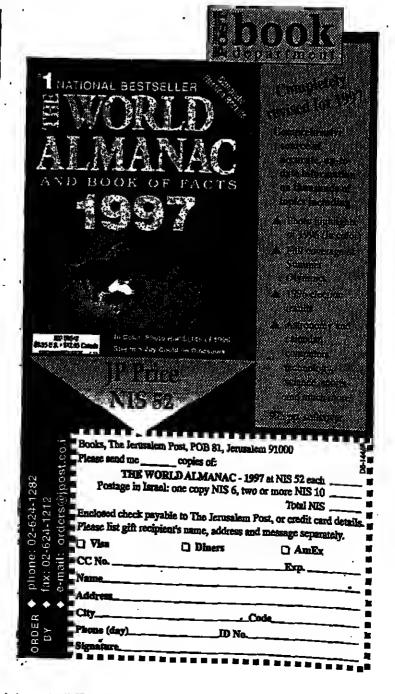
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# No peace; no territory

I'n a letter dated four years ago today, PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat pledged to prime minister Yitzhak Rabin, "a peaceful resolunon of the conflict ... a new epoch of peaceful coexistence, free from violence and all other acts which endanger peace and stability." Today this letter, which also pledged that the Palestinian National Covenant would be amended to remove calls for Israel's destruction, reads like a quaint remembrance - or a cruel joke.

On Sunday, Chief of IDF Intelligeoce Maj.-Geo. Moshe Ya'aloo conveyed his assessment that Arafat did oot regard fighting terrorism as advancing his goal of achieving a Palestinian state. Further, Ya'aloo testified that Arafat believes that his refusal to fight terrorism can be used as leverage to extract diplomatic concessions from Israel. Both Ya'alon and GSS head Ami Ayalon blamed Arafat's lack of security cooperation with Israel oo the absence of motivation, rather than capability.

The claim that Israel's actions have forced Arafat to renege on his side of the hargain do not stand up to minimal scrutiny. In the four years since Oslo began, israel has withdrawn from the Gaza Strip and the seven West Bank cities where most Palesrinians live, as well as handed over civil control of almost all of the Palestinians in rural areas. On the other side of the ledger, Arafat has two main complaints: Israel did oot hand over as much of the remaining empty territory as he had hoped for in the first redeployment, and Israel began huilding a Jewish neighborhood at Har Homa in Jerusalem.

Though Arafat can claim that Israel should not have pushed the limit of the agreement in these two respects, neither Israeli "sin" changes the hig picture of Israel's fundamental compliance with Oslo. The big picture of Israeli compliance is made even more striking in contrast to the persistent refusal of the Palestinians to systematically, rather than sporadically, combat terrorism.

In retrospect it is remarkable that, despite all the talk of "reciprocity," Sunday's cabinet decision not to implement any further withdrawals until the Palestinians have implemented their security commitments was not taken earlier. Until this decision, despite ample provocation and the change in governments, Israel has never said, in effect: Stop the train, we are unwilling to continue under these conditions.

Some Israelis pundits have reacted bitterly to the cabinet's move, claiming that the decision amounts to the end of the Oslo process. This claim is as disingenuous as it is remarkable. The previous government held np the withdrawal from Hehroo and the implementation of provisions regarding safe passage and Palestinian air and sea ports, all as a result of security concerns. Yet, back then, nary a peep came from the same quarters about destroying Oslo.

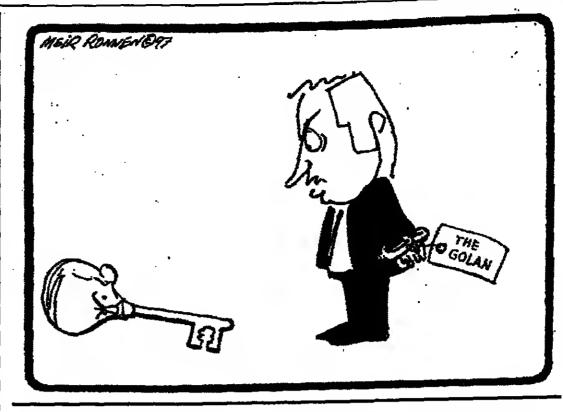
Now a legitimate security matter is not jeopardizing a small corner of Oslo, hut the eotire agreement. Ya'alon's and Ayaloo's intelligence assessmeots confirmed the obvious: the fact that the Oslo accords committed Arafat to fight terrorism, first in principle, then in greater and greater detail, does oot constitute sufficient "motivation" for him to act.

The cahinet decision was a last, but evidently oecessary, resort. For four years, Israel has methodically carried out its core requirements under Oslo, and nursed its wounds as terrorism continued regardless. For Israel to finally put its foot down and demand that the Palestinians implement their side of Oslo hardly amounts to the agreement's abrogation, hut to common sense born of desperation.

In effect, Israel is now beginning to employ its biggest stick while dangling its higgest carrots. If Arafat steps up to the plate on security cooperation, it is clear that Israel will continue redeployments, greatly restrict its right to build in the territories, and eoter into final-status talks. Furthermore, it is clear, based on Netanyahu's reported Alon-plus plan, that while the nature and extent of the Palestinian entity remain to be negotiated, a Likud government has conceded on the principle of territorial compromise.

The reason for this is that the great majority of Israelis probably agree with author A. B. Yehoshua's recent plea in Yediot Ahronot, "Give Us a Border." In his essay, Yehoshua argued that Israel will never be as free as possible from terrorism until there is a border - armed, feuced, and guarded like the borders with the rest of Israel's neighbors - between us and the Palestinians. And that to create such a border we must enter final-status negotiations with the Palestinians as soon as possible.

Israel wants a horder and so do the Palestinians. What is more, Israel is ready to negotiate that border. All Israel asks is that its negotiating partner, as agreed, do its best to preveot terrorism against Israelis. If Arafat is unwilling to do that, there can be no peace process, whatever Israeli government is in power. Israel's steadfastness in demanding that Arafat combat terrorism does not threateo the peace process; it is the only hope for peace.



# Boycott the festivities

Inder normal circumstances, the Lithuanian government's staging of special events to mark the hicentennial of the demise of the Vilna Gaoo would be favorably received throughout the Jewish

Given the bloody history of the Holocaust in Lithuania, and the active participation of local collab-orators in those crimes, these observances could be viewed as a positive step which could contribute towards a rapprochement between the two peoples. Indeed, what better way to foster understanding Lithuanians and Jews than to gather together to study and honor the scholarship of the venerable sage Eliyahu heo-Shlomo Zalman who lived his entire life (1720-1797) in

If, contrary to expectatioos, these events have been greeted with skepticism, derision and eveo anger by various Jewish organizations and numerous "Litvaks" it is because it appears fairly clear that the extravaganza planned for Vilnius has little to do with the Lithuanians' regard for local Jewish sages and far more to do with their desire to ioin NATO and the European Union.

The essential issue in this regard is not the Lithuanians' interest in the Gaon - which all agree is virtually nooexistent at this point - but rather their attitude toward their countrymen who murdered Jews and their lack of willingness to hring them to justice.

Unlike the situation in most of Europe, the Jews of Lithuania were not deported to the death camps, bot were killed locally, in many cases by their neighbors. In Lithuania, all strata of society, including the intelligentsia, actively participated in the annihilation of the Jews and Lithuanian police units were also involved in the murder of Jews elsewhere, primarily Byelorussia. The widespread

which it has been more diffi-

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participation of the local populanon in the implementation of the Final Solution contributed significantly to the fact that Lithuanian Jewry had the highest victimology rate in Europe - 94% of the 220,000 Jews living io Lithuania onder the Nazi occupation were murdered during the Holocaust.

IF Lithuania, which gained inde-

By marking the 200th anniversary of a Lithuanian Talmudic sage, the Lithuanians believe they can deflect criticism for falling to punish those who murdered Jews far more recently

pendence in 1991, had honestly sought to confront its bloody past it certainly had sufficient opportunities to hegin to do so. The problem is, however, that there is little popular support for such steps. Everyone is in favor of prosecoting former KGB operatives, hut very few want to see Lithuanians tried for the

The results in this regard speak for themselves. Not a single Nazi war crimical has ever been indicted, let alooe convicted, in independent Lithuania. It has also been revealed that numerous Nazi murderers who were convicted by the Soviet courts have\_ been granted rehabilitation with financial compensation by the Lithuanian authorities, despite the fact that the current Rehabilitatioo Law specifies that anyone who "participated in

genocide" is ineligible for such a pardon.

Uoder public pressue, a joint Lithnanian-Israeli commission of inquiry (of which I am a member) was established to investigate the situation and cancel those rehabilitations granted illegally, but to date almost oo progress has been made. Although the Israeli delegation identified at least 70 cases of rehabilitations illegal Fehruary 1995, oot a single one has been cancelled.

Under these circumstances, with mounting pressure from Israel and the Jewish world for concrete action against Nazi murderers, and with NATO and EU membership hanging in the balance, paying tribute to the Gaon seemed a far more palatable alternative to Lithoanian government. By marking the 200th anniversary of a Lithuanian Talmudic sage, the Lithuanians apparently believe that they can more effectively deflect the criticism levelled at them for failing to punish those who murdered Jews far more recently. That is the real reason why the events will be held in Vilnius this week and that is why they should he

boycotted. To do other wise would be to send the wroog message to the Lithuanian government, which is anxious to gain Jewish support for their cause without having to pay the internally unpopular price of prosecuting their countrymen who murdered Jews and cancelling the illegal rehabilitations.

We unfortunately cannot bring back to life the Jews murdered by Lithuanians during the Holocaust, but at least we can honor their memory hy not participating in an event which will most likely belp pave the way for their Lithuanian murderers to escape the bar of

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# **Princess**

### WILLIAM F. BUCKLEY

People who get about bump into kings and queens here and there. A problem (in my limited experience) is that the subject royalty is really most interesting on, in brief encounters, is ... royalty. If you have five minutes with the king, you are not really interested in his views on the Common Market or even on Star Wars, but you wonder about such things as: How many times in the course of a year does Your Majesty have to talk about the

During my own encounter with Princess Diana (at the Reagan White House, with John Travolta), for all her reputation for informality, I took the precaunon, in seeking an inanimate subject of common interest, to speak to her about jet lag (she had crossed the Atlantic that day). I gave her my son's prescription. On hearing it she choked up with wonderfully expressive disgust and drifted off, perhaps to talk about the weather.

My friend Bruce, working at the computer, spoke his sorrow over the news. "It's like Cinderella in reverse." The point is nicely

Cinderella began poor and lonely in shabby dress, was touched by the magic wand and fell into the royal ball, the prince enchanted by her youth and beauty. At midnight she flashed back to indigence and the torment of her stenmother and sisters, but the princelevitation took over, and she lived happily ever after.

In her celebrated interview, Diana spoke of her loneliness in the royal household. She told of her problems with her health. admitted to an act of adultery and spoke of her passionate desire to regain her privacy and live happily, superintending the education of her two sons.

The divorce was quick and, because it had been publicly discounted, noiseless. The only rasp left in the proceedings was the quiet but adamantine word: She would no longer be Her Royal

### How different it would have been if she had been ugly

Highness. Indeed, even though she was no longer, as a technical matter, the Princess of Wales, she was able to continue to use that

She spent much conspicuous time in good civic enterprise, and was inevitably the belle of the balls she attended with some reg-

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ularity. Her overnight dalliance with Dodi Fayed was accepted by most as an entirely extemporaneous romantic attraction by a lovelorn ex-princess.

Others saw it as a personal act of irreverence: Nice blond princesses don't wander off with dark Moslem tycoons - not since Othello and Desdemona, Still others thought they were seeing strategic commercial planning. The union of Jackie Kennedy and Aristotle Onassis 30 years ago legitimized what in the public view would once have been thought of as on the order of miscegenation. But let it be, most people seemed to be saying.

It is known that the queen loathed Diana (which doesn't challenge the sincerity of her grief and shock), assessing most of the blame for the marriage's breakup to her. There was recip-rocal hlarne assigned: How could anyone young and tender live with someooe brought op, as Charles was hrought up, without that love of family that his austere father deprived him of?

Yet we are reminded that the royal mandate stresses things other than fun-living. The new hiography of Prince Albert reminds us how successful an arranged marriage can be. The point is reinforced by the flood of books and movies featuring Jane Austen's young ladies and their methodical search for appropriate husbands\_

Princess Diana charmed the whole world, but also reminded us, as the lives of her annt, her hrother-in-law and sister-in-law did, that the marriage bond is frailer even in royal circles than it used to be.

It is an ironic masterstroke that the descendant of Henry VIII has been freed of an encumbrance by a midnight accident in an automobile.

How different it would have been if she had been ngly. The marriage, contracted under such circumstances, would probably have lasted, and the grief over a mortal accident would have been formalistic. We grieve the loss of a delicate fairy-tale princess, perhaps the most beautiful woman alive, until that terrible moment on that Saturday night.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## APPETITE FOR SCANDAL

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Hamle me

Sir, - I am guilty. Along with everyone else in the world I am responsible for the death of Lady Di. Though I am not a regular subscriber or consumer of tabloids I do relish celebrity gossip. Who doesn't? This week, listening to the public outcry against the press and the paparazzi I couldn't help but be shocked at the public self-righteousness. After all the tabloids were created because there was a market for them.

Two different factors created the tabloid, the public appetite for scandal and the publishers' need to realize a profit. This week despite all the platitudes being thrown around we should realize that we share responsibility with the photographers for what happened. After all it was our insatiable appetite that created this industry. But although we feel guilty now we are still curious about the rich, the famous and the infamous. So let's see who they'll hunt for next.

HARRIET STEIN **CODDINGTON** Kibbutz Mevo Hamma.

**ARAFAT'S DECISION** 

Sir, - Following the latest bombings, it's distressing to read President Weizman's remark that "Arafat will have to come to a decision." Arafat's decision has long been obvious. Arafat has decided to collect both the price of peace and the spoils of terror. The decision that remains to be made is Israel's: What do we intend to do about Arafat?

MARK. L. LEVINSON

Sir, - What makes the nations of son who has murdered his parents the world so inactive and even mute in their criticism of terrorism? Why is it that these nadons

are so afraid? Yasser Arafat is always working with terrorists. It is almost as if he is a special advisor on the appropriate timing for atrocious acts of terror and when there should be periods of respite. Who rememhers that it was his PA soldiers. ostensibly policemen, who only recently murdered Israeli soldiers? Each succeeding terrorist act seems to dull our memory of pre-

vious ones. Instead of fighting terrorism. Arafat pleads before the United Nanons, European countries and even the United States that he and his people are the innocent victims of collective punishment by the government of Israel. He reminds me of the classic joke in which the

asks for the mercy of the court because he is an orphan. Only this is no laughing matter.

His ploy is to announce that he is rounding up terrorists. Of course, we all know about the PA's revolving door policy. Terrorists are jailed with great fanfare only to be released when waning public interest permits. And what of land dealers who disappear and are murdered for the crime of selling land to Jews? Palestinians are tortured and languish in PA jails, while their appeals to human rights' commissions go unan-

swered. Is the civilized world, with the noteworthy exception of US Secretary of State Albright, really so fearful of Arafat's terrorists that it is cowed into non-action?

TOBY WILLIG

## **MEANINGFUL EDUCATION**

Sir, - As a grandmother whose

Mevasseret Zion.

thyself" than for children to share and send books and blocks, toys and tapes from their classrooms to children whose kindergarten was torched and all its contents destroyed? What better way to learn and

demonstrate "abdut Yisrael" - the unity of Israel - than for children to draw and send pictures whose messages say "we are your friends!

SHIRLEY SCHOFFMAN

limited only to keen interest and concern rather than hands-on direct contact, I respectfully and strongly urge young parents and teachers who want children to learn "abavat ahim" - love and respect for fellow Jews - and other Jewish teachings of ethical behavior, to initiate projects in kindergartens and primary grades in all schools to counteract the despicable display of intolerance and sheer hatred in the torching of the kindergarten in

What can be a more meaningful

involvement in education can be

means of teaching the Torah commandment "love they neighbor as

## last week at a ripe old age.

cult to focus on any one particular issue. In very quick succession our attention was diverted from one dramatic and tragic event to the next, each charging our emotions but also begging for some coherent explanation and conclusion. Diana's tragic death in Paris. another eight bodies ~ three of the perpetrators of a beinous act of terror and five of its THE terrorist attack in Jerusalem victims - in Jerusalem, and a dozen members of an elite mili-

As is always the case, one can attribute all these events to fate or the will of God, and try to derive from them some deeper meaning. On the other hand, one can view them as events which are tragic in themselves, but totally devoid of anything more than fleeong significance

tany unit killed in the course of a

mysterious mission in Lebanoo

which went terribly wrong.

Diana's death, and that of her Egyptian playboy boyfriend, was caused by a drunken driver trying to evade a hunch of paparazzi in the small hours of the morning, when most decent folk are fast asleep in their beds. The whole situation could have been avoided, but it was not. It was the culmination of a certain life-style. which was freely choseo by all those involved and which no one has openly condemned.

What is much more interesting is that despite the frivolity of the event and the people involved, so many people in the free world went into deep mourning, reminiscent of that which we experienced almost two years ago when our prime minister was assassinated. Why is it that so many people appear to need the symbol of Diana, not as she really was but as she appeared to be - a young and glamorous version of Mother Teresa, who also happened to die

## SUSAN HATTIS ROLEF

The week that was

Some are actually predicting that Diana's senseless death will shut the door on a royal family, whose only sin seems to be that it does not itself generate the sort of glamor that people, lacking any real sense of direction, clamor for.

We live in an era in

which we have more

questions than answers was one more piece of proof - if anyone still needs proof - that the occurrence of such events is not a function of either a "defearist" policy or a "national-pride" poli-

cy, but of the existence of people who are driven to such acts by distress, incitement, religious fanaricism or any combination of the The question which remains unanswered is what is likely to decrease the likelihood or frequeocy of terrorist events aside from greater vigilance on our part. Is it a policy of reconciliarion or a policy of rigidity?

Is it a policy which assumes that peace is possible or a policy which assumes that peace is an illusion? Unfortunately, we are no closer today than we were last week to answering these questions, though after every attack it becomes increasingly difficult to deal with the issue unemotionally.

And the events in Lebanon they merely remind us that no matter how sophisticated and ingenious we are, we are fallible. and that immunity is not eternal.

There is a battle of wits and spunk taking place hetween our-selves and the Hizbullah in Lebanon. However, it is not the outcome of this battle which will determine the future. Once again, the tragic event, and its high cost in lives, is merely a reminder that there is unfinished business to be dealt with. It does not indicate how the business ought to be fin-

Is the right way to make major concessions on the Syrian front in order to attain peace on our northern border, since our problem with Lebanon cannot be resolved without a green light from Damascus? Is a unilateral withdrawal from southern Lebanon the right way, as growing sectors of the Israeli public, including the mothers of soldiers serving there, are demanding? Or must we simply wait until circumstances change and, until then, continue the battle as best we can?

And, in the meantime, are we going to let the IDF lick its wounds after its painful failure. recover from the shock and draw the required lessons, or are we going to insist on pouring salt on these wounds?

We live in an era in which we have more questions than answers, hut in which we are nevertheless determined that someone be made to pay the price immediately for every tragic event: The paparazzi and tabloid press in the case of Diana, Yasser Arafat and all the 2.5 million Palestinians in the West Bank and Gaza Strip in the case of the three suicide-hombers on Ben-Yehuda, and some hapless general in the case of the naval commandos in Lebanon - as if that will undo what cannot be undone.

The writer is o political scientist.

FROM OUR ARCHIVES 60 years ago: On September 9, 1937. The Polestine Post reported that a mutilated body of a young Jew had been found floating in the Yarkon River. He was apparently one of the workers employed in the construction of the new Reading Power Station at the mouth of the Yarkon River. A young Austrian Jew, Willy Weiss, was shot in cold blood by

five Arabs on the Haifa-Nazareth

road. An Arab constable was shot

and killed by an Arab in Acre.

A large number of Polish Jews were brutally beaten in Warsaw and Kielce during the Jewish New Year period.

50 years ago: On September 9, 1947. The Palestine Post reported that in Hamburg more than 1,000 British troops armed with machine-guns, tear-gas pistols, steel-tipped truncheons and highpressure hose-pipes forced the 1.400 Exodus 1947 "illegal" immigrants to Palestine from

Ocean Vigour, the first of the three British "floating cages" to the prepared quay cages. Many Jews were hun before being overcome and dragged

across the gangway. The Palesune Arah Higher Committee issued a statement that the UN Special Committee's report on Palestine was "absurd, impracticable and unjust" and that the Arabs would never accept

Alexander Zvielli

# Wavy walls and stone igloos

is the curious site of el-Ahwat. northeast of Hadera, a link to the ancient sea peoples who descended on the eastern Mediterranean more than 3,000 years ago?

By ABRAHAM RABINOVICH

alking the hills above Wadi Ara in 1992 in a survey of unexcavated archeological sites, Dr. Adam Zertal of Haifa University came across something he had never seen before.

The site, northeast of Hadera, was of goodly size, some 30 dunams. It dated to the 13th or 12th centuries BCE, according to pottery remains on the surface - a period when settlements in the country were unwalled. However, this site had a wall around it. It was, in fact, known by its Arabic name, el-Ahwat, which means "the walls." Moreover, the wall was very thick, some four to five meters wide, and had a most extraordinary wavy shape. Examination of archeological records showed that no other site in the eastern Mediterranean had wavy walls, not even sites as far away as Asia Minor or Greece.

Zertal began digging there the following year. The deeper he dug, the deeper grew the mystery. Built into the defense wall from the side facing into the city were short passages leading nowhere. These "corridors," as Zertal called them, dead-ended after a few meters. The archeological team took it as a working assumption that they were weapons armories.

Another curious architectural feature were stone "igloos" with false Jonies, a structure likewise anknown in the region. Perhaps mey were the tombs of chiefs.

A colleague of Zertal's from Haifa University, history professor Michael Heltzer, noted that these features resembled archeological remains he had seen on the island of in the Mediterranean. This possible con-

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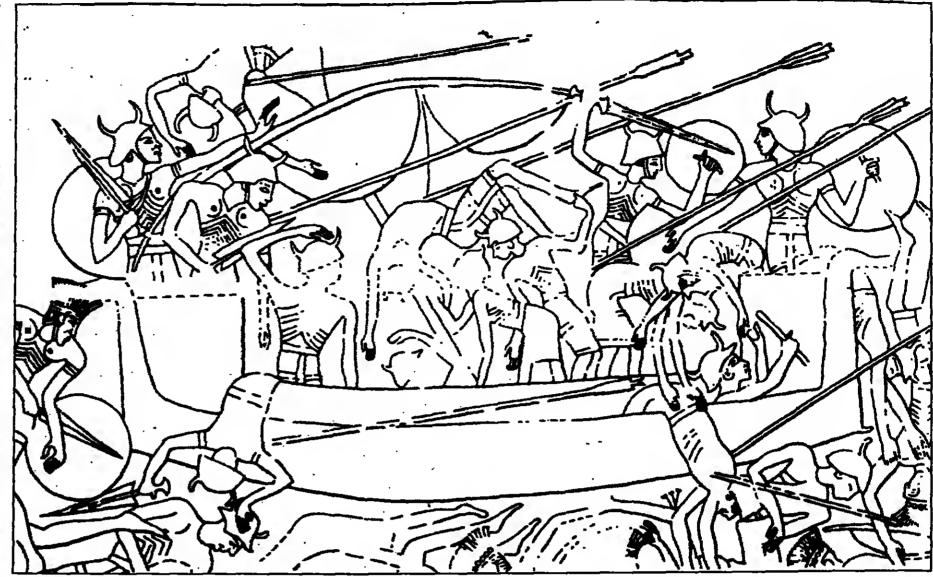
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nection gave the site an intriguing

In the past, Sardinia has been sugested by scholars as home of one of the sea peoples who descended on the eastern Mediterranean more than 3,000 years ago. It was a time when the old order of the known world was breaking up, reflected by the demise of empires and major population shifts. An Egyptian inscription speaks of foreign invaders making "a conspiracy in their islands" before descending on Egypt. One of these seafaring peoples mentioned were the Philistines, who would win their place in history because of their prominent position in the Bible. However, they were not the most prominent group back then.

It was the Shardana who were predominant in the Egyptian accounts of the sea peoples sometimes depicted as enemies engaging Egypt in battle, sometimes as Egyptian mercenaries. There are indications that the Shardana were already serving as spears-for-hire for the Egyptians and others as early as the 14th century BCE. In wall reliefs in Egyptian temples, the Shardana were portrayed wearing horned helmets, in contrast to the feathered headdresses worn by the Philistines

and other sea peoples.
Scholars believe that the Egyptians settled a number of the sea peoples along the Canaan coast as mercenary buffer forces after defeating them in battle. Ancient papyri listed three tribes on the coast in a north-to-south order: Shardana, Shiqalaya Philistines. The area of the Philistines in the southern coastal region is well known. One of the papyri listed Dor - between today's Netanya and Haifa - as "a harbor of the Shiqalaya." The



Detail of an Egyptian wall relief showing the Shardana warriors. Did they come from Sardinia?

Shardana were presumably somewhere to the north.

Considerable light has been shed on the Philistines in recent decades in a number of excavations. However, virtually nothing is known of the other sea peoples who, together with the Philistines, entered Canaan from the west at about the same time that the Israelites were entering from the east. There has been speculation that the Philistines came from Crete, but there is no proof.

If a link can be established

between el-Ahwat and Sardinia, it would the first significant breakthrough in this direction, and the first direct connection between one of the sea peoples and a specific place of origin. The Sardinian-Shardana link was initially suggested on the basis of name similarity.

In 1995 Zertal went to Sardinia to see if there was anything there to suggest a connection. He was taken aback by what he saw.

The island was dotted with some 7,000 structures from the second and first millennia BCE. Known as "muraghe," an ancient Sardic word meaning "pile of stones," they were nural dwellings made of large heaps of stones. They consisted of subterranean chambers linked by corridors and roofed by the false-dome method. The chambers had windows. This Nuragic culture did not have cities and therefore no city walls, but the irregular shapes of the nuraghe themselves, including wavy shapes, echoed for Zertal the shape of el-Ahwat's city walls. So, of course, did the corridors and

false domes. For all the parallels, the city of el-Altwat is not a replica of a rural Sardinian nuraghe. And the pottery found in el-Ahwat is simple Canaanite ware with no hint of a foreign origin - unlike the painted pottery found in early Philistine sites, which was so similar to Acgean pottery, it was initially thought to have been imported from

Prof. Giovanni Ugas of the University of Cagliari, heading a Sardinian team working with Zertal at the site, sees a "probable" connection between el-Ahwat and settlers of a Sardinian origin; but he says the excavation will have to proceed further before there can be

nent Israeli archeologist familiar with Philistine sites agrees that el-Ahwat is "a very important and unique" site. But he calls for caution before linking it to the

Zertal is little inclined to caution after five digging seasons and his visit to Sardinia, "El-Ahwat should be looked at as a Shardana site with a mixture of local and foreign elements," he says. Shardana tribes-

the Israelites.

more than a century before el-.

Ahwat was settled. Egyptian docu-

ments show that they served as

mercenaries at Byblos and Ugarit

on the Phoenician coast, as well as

in the ranks of the Egyptian army.

Therefore, the founders of cl-Ahwat, if they were indeed

Shardana in origin, would have had

several generations of local acculturation - which could account for the Canaanite-style pottery.

As for the foreign architecture, a

member of Zertal's team, pointing from el-Ahwat to the Arab villages lining Wadi Ara below, noted that they did not have red tile roofs pite generations of living alongside Jewish settlements, whose founders had brought a tile-roof tradition from Europe. "People keep

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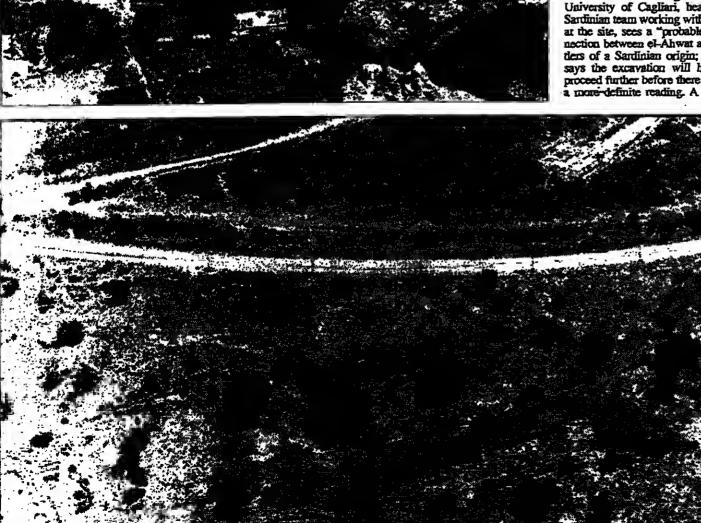
low U, as it were. Its appearance as a fortified settlement adds weight, in Zertal's view, to its linkage with the Shardana, a mercenary group.

The discovery of gold and silver jewelry, including rings and bracelets, indicates that the site was not just a fortress but a settlement that included women. The settlement was divided into quarters separated by stone walls.

El-Ahwat was occupied for no more than 50 to 60 years, another possible indication that its inhabitants were mercenaries rather than an indigenous group. There are no arrowheads or evidence of fire to indicate a battle for the site. The inhabitants had time enough to pack thoroughly, as few movables were left for archeologists to find. Some Egyptian scarabs and seals from the 13th century BCE wedged into the stones, however, provided

Only 10 percent of el-Ahwat has been excavated thus far. Zertal hopes to dig in a Sardinian nuraghe for two weeks next summer to understand those constructions close up before resuming the dig at el-Ahwat. Future digging seasons may shed more light on the inhabitants of an intriguing site.





Top: An 'igloo' with false dome roofing: The structure is reminiscent of ancient rural dwellings in Sardinia. Bottom: An aerial view of Fl-Ahwat. The name of the site means 'the walls' in Arabic.

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Whatever their origins, the

founders of el-Ahwat were clearly

military minded. The wall itself is

testimony to that. Its wavy nature

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permitted the defenders to fire at

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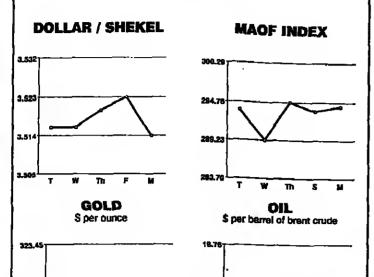
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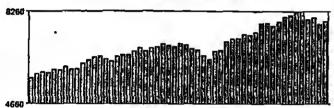
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Jerusalem Post owner Hollinger Inc.'s second-quarter profit increased 160% to \$18.5 million, compared to the \$7.1m. recorded in the equivalent period last year. The largest improvement in profits came in the Toronto-based newspaper publisher's Canadian interests, with earnings of the Southam Inc. chain being consolidated into its earnings for the first time.

Hollinger last year purchased a majority stake in Southam, which publishes the Montreal Gazette. Furthermore, the company said newsprint prices were considerably lower and advertising revenue was higher. David Harris

## African Dev. Bank helps members service debt

The African Development Bank said yesterday it had set up a mechanism to help poorer member countries meet interest payments on loans from the bank. The money will come from the bank's soft loan arm, the African Development Fund, Under its tightened credit policy, the bank itself no longer lends to Africa's poorest countries, but many have outstanding loans they have difficulty in servicing. The bank put its new Supplementary Financing Mechanism in the context of the Highly Indebted Poor Countries initiative, under which the World Bank and other lenders have agreed to write off debts of countries pursuing economic reforms.

# Makhteshim buys 51% of Spain's Aragonesas

## By JENNIFER FRIEDLIN

Makhteshim Chemical Works and Agan Chemical Manufacturers announced yesterday that they have exercised their option to purchase the remaining 51% stake in Spain's Aragonesas Agro for \$10.5 million.

Lası year, Makhteshim and ils subsidiary, Agan, purchased a 49% stake in Aragonesas for \$7.4m., including the option to purchase the remaining shares within the next three years.

"During the past year, the company's performance has been very good, so we decided to purchase the remainder of the



deputy marketing director of Makhteshim and Agan. A weak peseta also made the price attractive, Porat said. The purchase reflects a strategy to acquire companies in

company," said David Porat,

Europe and Latin America. In 1996, Makhteshim and Agan jointly bought four companies iwo in Brazil, one in Argentina, and Aragonesas.

Makteshim and Agan bough the Spanish company to expand into markets in Portugal, North Africa, and France. The two have other subsidiaries in North America, the UK, France, Italy, Romania, Greece, and Costa

Following the acquisitions, the companies will now "chew, swallow and digest" them before purchasing additional compa-nies, said Porat.

As a result of the acquisitions, 87% of Makteshim's and Agan's business is now conducted abroad.

Makhteshim is among the world's 25 largest agrochemical companies and the largest manufacturer of generic agrochemical products.

Koor Industries controls Makhteshim. The company's shares are

traded on the Tel Aviv Stock

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# US technology security firm Cylink buys Israel's Algorithmic for \$83m.

### By JENNIFER FREDLIK

Cylink Corporation yesterday announced the acquisition of information security company Algorithmic Research for \$82.7

Cylink, a Sunnyvale, Californiabased technology security leader with annual turnover of more than \$50m., spoke to 16 Israeli companies before settling on the privately held, Givat Shmuel-based company. The company paid \$44m. in cash and \$38.7m. for nearly three million shares of common stock.

According to the terms of the agreement, Algorithmic Research, an Internet and smart-card securi-

ty company with sales of \$7.25m. in 1996, will become a wholly owned subsidiary of Cylink. Algorithmic Research will continue to operate under the current management from its headquar-

Following news of the deal, Cylink's Nasdaq-traded shares were up 9% to \$14.125 in early

morning trading yesterday.

Analysts said the deal will make Cylink a more formidable com-petitor in a consolidating hightech sector where customers are increasingly looking for one-stop

Now to get a complete security operation, you have to go to five to

strates that companies are looking to become one-stop shops," said Bill Burnham, a senior research analyst at Piper Jaffray of Minneapolis. This will put pressure on companies like Check Point to create their own complete

line of security products." Cylink, one of the two leading security technology companies in the US, said the purchase will allow it to deliver a bigger line of improved network security solu-

"Customers are looking for network-security solutions enabling them to expand use of the Internet to lower their costs, access new

six companies, this deal demon- markets and provide better customer service," Cylink CEO Fernand Sarrat said in a statement. 'Algorithmic Research's superior technology puts us clearly in the lead in offering Internet solutions that are open, robust and flexible to meet these customer needs."

The deal also will help Algorithmic Research penetrate the US market, the companies

The biggest benefit of this deal is that Algorithmic Research will now be able to really get into the American market," said Yossi Tulpan, founder of Algorithmic Research

Most of the company's husiness

previously was conducted in Europe and the Far East.

Algorithmic Research develops and selfs security software and smart-card products for the network security market.

Founded in 1987, the company, which has sales offices in Germany, Singapore and Israel, specializes in cryptographic tech-

nology. Started in 1984, Cylink Corporation is a leading provider of commercial enterprise-wide information security solutions. In 1990, it introduced a line of longrange, digital, spread spectrum microwave radio systems available in a variety of data rates.

# Clal, Koor disagree on Mishab issue

**Globes News Service** and Jerusalem Post Staff

Clal Industries and Koor Israel are in strong disagreement over a future share issue on Wall Street of Mishab, which the two holding companies' own jointly.

Koor CEO Benjamin Gaon and Mishab's general manager Yossi Rosenne returned Sunday night from the United States, after a round of meetings with the Merrill Lynch investment bank.

Merrill Lynch is handling the sue of 30 percent of the shares of Nesher. which Mishab owns.

Merrill Lynch is presently negoti-ating with three of the world's six largest concerns, and a deal is expected to be signed with one of them by the end of the year.

Gaon and Rosenne reached agreement with Merrill Lynch that, immediately following the prospective sale of a 30% stake in cement monopoly Nesher, a US stock exchange issue of the shares of Mishab also would be considered.

On their return to Israel, Clai Industries general manager Rimon Ben-Shaul said that his company has "no interest in diluting our holdings in Mishab, and hence, the whole subject of the issue is irrelevant."

Antitrust Authority Director-General David Tadmor recently presented Claridge with a series of conditions to be fulfilled if its takeover of Koor is to be approved.

Clal's opposition to the Mishab flotation could be a problem for Claridge, as it attempts to meet the conditions posed by the Antitrust Authority concerning cross-holdings between Koor and Clai.

The dilution of the holding of the two concerns in Mishab could smooth the way for continued negotiations with Tadmor,

the parties seek an arrangement, A Koor spokesman declined to

### Haifa, and Ashkelon 200-240 the last three months was relaperiod last year. apartments were sold. The rise was attributed primartively low. In addition, realtors report that

ECI CEO David Rudner (center) yesterday shows a display of ECI technological developments to (from left) Israeli chairman of the America-Israel Friendship League Dani Rothschild, AIFL president Mortimer Zuckerman, and AIFL board chairman

New apartment sales up 5% in second quarter

The second quarter saw a 5% increase in the number of new apartments sold in the big cities, the Central Bureau of Statistics yesterday reported.

Kenneth Bialkin in ECI's Petah Tikva plant.

During the April-June period, 3,830 new apartments were sold in the 24 major cities, in comparison with 3,630 in the first quarter and 3,770 in the same

ily to sale of flats in advanced building stage, about 33% of the total supply of new apartments, while the number of finished and start apartments declined.

Most of the sales were in Rishon Lezion, Petah Tikva, Tel Aviv. and Jerusalem, in which 270 to 400 flats were sold. In Rehovot, Ramat Gan, Hadera,

The number of new apartments offered for sale remained almost unchanged at 12,230, as against 12,210 last year.

Of those apartments, 44% were three-bedroom and 41% were four or more.

industry sources said the number of sales of used apartments over

Despite the rise in sales,

bousing prices in the main cities

(Ilan Ossendryver/Israel Sun)

are also declining. The fact that the housing index component in the consumer price index rose during the last two months, despite the market's alowdown, is attributed to the sharp depreciation of the shekel against the dollar in July.

comment last night.

# Galaxy CEO tries to combine IAI technology, US money

Sales of the Astra, priced at

Brian E. Barents- wearing the jet-lag look of aomeone who's spent too many hours at meetings - is relaxing after a large breakfast at a Jerusalem hotel as he discusses aviation strategy with a visitor.

Suddenly, he lunges from his chair for the exit, where a twoyear-old child is stuck hy a closing door. The 53-year-old executive jars open the door and pulls the crying boy to the safety of his startled parents.

A moment later, Barents is back at the table continuing the discussion.

It's the type of rescue that Barents has been doing in the corporate aviation world. In 1989, Barents joined Learjet Inc. as president and chief executive officer as the company was fast approaching bankruptcy. The industry was waiting for the once-mighty executive jet manufacturer to die.

Barents engineered a comeback, slashing staff, reorganizing marketing resources, and developing a new product line. A year later, Learjet was sold to the Montreal-based Bombardier lnc. and rapidly grew into a company with a \$1 billion in

Now, Barents is back as the white knight. This time his baby is Galaxy Aerospace Corp., a joint venture of Israel Aircraft Industries and the Chicagobased Pritzke Group. Unlike Learjet. Galaxy is not facing bankruptcy. But it bas been plagued with delays and its product line bas been poorly

Barents's joh is to make

Galaxy into an American trailblazer in the executive jet market. He inherited IAI's highlyacclaimed, hut poorly-selling Astra and presided over last week's rollout of the new Galaxy. The products are there. he said. Now, he has to instill the competitive edge that wins

"I had the opportunity to compete against the Astra over the years and found it to be a credible plane with good performance and value," Barents said. "But in many cases, the Astra wasn't involved in a competitive sale. I attribute this to the perceived lack of commitment by IAI to be a competitor in the long term, as well as lack of commitment to sales and mar-

Barents says he's been turning Galaxy into a major player in the executive jet market. Sales in 1997 have been running at a rate of double that of last year. He bas been developing an aggressive sales team to take advantage of the economic upswing in the US and to promote the company as an American firm, with manufacturing facilities in Texas. In contrast, IAI had to bring prospec-tive customers to Israel to sell the Astra, a disadvantage in try-

ing to woo US executives. The executive jet market is not buge. About 400 executive jets are sold annually, about half in the small jet field, those priced at \$3 million-\$5 m. Less than 20% is In the medium-sized field, at \$9m\_-12m. a plane. The remainder is the large executive

about \$11m., have been running at about six a year. Barents said he wants to double that and thus capture 20% of the market.

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"This is a very cyclical business that follows worldwide economic trends," he said. 'We're experiencing increased profits and corporate growth."

Barents said the Galaxy opens np a new market. The prices of large executive jets run from \$20m.-\$37m., he said, Galaxy's price is about \$16m., just above that of a medium-sized jet, hut mucb lower than the large planės.

"Our strategy for the Galaxy is to provide an interim step-up market for the small- and medium-sized market, with the features of a large plane but prices of medium-sized planes," he said. "We're the first aircraft in this segment." Barents acknowledged that the

Galaxy project was as unlikely as you could get. The program began in 1992 between IAI and the Russian plane manufacturer Yakovlev Yakovlev. Yakoviev. Yakoviev mau advanced technology and excellent ideas, but could not meet deadlines or raise money to cover its share of the risk. A year

later, the partnership dissolved. IAI was left without a partner but with excellent Russianbased technology. It found the Pritzke Group, which owns many concerns, including hotels, but had no experience in aviation. Jay Pritzke was interested in the project, but wanted to ensure that it was managed properly. He insisted on Barents, who was interested in leaving

Leariet.

Before joining Learjet, Barents worked for two years at Toyota Motor Sales. The lion's share of his experience was at Cessna Aircraft, where he began in 1975 as regional sales director and left in 1987 as senior vice president. He is a veteran airman, holding the rank of hrigadier general and still serving as chief of staff for the Kansas Air National Guard. He has flown several generations of tactical aircraft from the F-4 to the F-16.

Barents's job now is to bring the Galaxy back on schedule. He says the credibility of the plane has been damaged by the delays. His plan is to get the first Galaxy, with a range of 4,000 miles, delivered to the US in early 1998 and certified by the end of the year. He acknowledges that this should have been done years ago and that the delay has already brought out

competitors. Raytheon announced last year it will present a Galaxy-type jet, the Horizon. Bombardier is expected to do the same later this year.

We will have a 2-4 year jump over the competitors," Barents said, "But one of the most unfortunate things in delaying certification is that it tells your competitors what you're doing." Barents is ambitious. He wants to

manufacture eight planes in 1998 and increase that to 18 by the end of 1999. His plan is to eventually manufacture 12-15 Astras a year and about 20 Galaxies. By the end of 1998, when he hopes Galaxy will he certified, he wants a two-year backlog in orders, or 22-28 planes.

He bases his forecast on what he terms Galaxy's hase of 350 extremely loyal customers inherited from IAI. The economy is good and Galaxy's headquarters in Fort Worth, Texas is an excellent location in a politically-powerful state. His concern is the nature of

IAI. The state company has hroken sales records over the past year and is expected to be profitable next year. But it is still subject to tight government control. IAI's cash flow remains weak, and it must seek loans for virtually every project. With IAl's first business being defense, Galaxy's civilian jet niche will certainly not be the priority of the politicians.

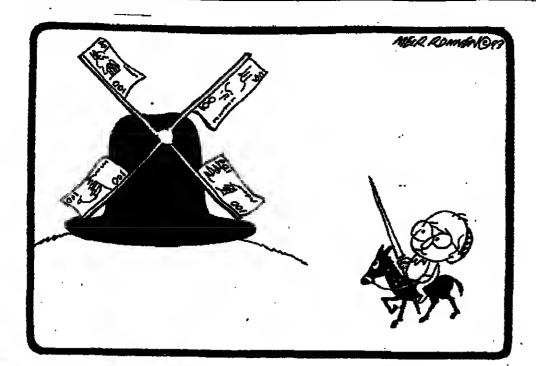
So, Barents said, a key task will be to impress government officials and MKs that Galaxy is a company worth investing in-And he made it clear that the company will need large investments to achieve his definition of success.

"There are working capital constraints on IAI," be said. There are those in government and in the financial community who are tooking very closely at us and whom we might need in the future to get more capital. A lot of capital will be needed to start up the assembly line, both in terms of supplies and labor."

After this promising start, alas, underestimate their audience.

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MOTORING

# Koreans can do

Too tough for the yuppie contingent, the 4WD Ssangyong Korando was designed for off-road riding

By JOEL GORDIN

President of Honda, Nobuhiko Kawamoto, once stated that city-dwellers who buy hig. thirsty four-wheel-drive vehicles are "daft." And he explained why: The vehicles are often not used off-road, yet carry around hig tires, diesel engines and heavy militarytype transmissions. It's a waste of money." There are, it seems, many unbalanced motorists throughout the world.

Sales of 4WD vehicles continue to climb. An ever-increasing proportion are bought by urban-dwelling, white-collar workers, most of whom venture no farther from the road than the supermarket parking lot.

All the big auto manufacturers. including Honda, have cashed in on these rough-riding "yuppiemohiles." They look tough, macho and off-roadish, but they are actually more at home on the highways than in the outback, despite their high suspensions and tractor tires.

The Korean-made Ssangyong Korando wanted to be a yuppiemobile, hut something went wrong. The makers turned out a snorting, bucking, off-road vehicle more suitable for those who'd prefer to flaunt the hair on their chests than put suits on their backs.

The three-door Korando is the

younger brother of the five-door Ssangyong Musso, which was introduced here a couple of years ago. Musso means "rhino" in Korean and the name Korando. believe it or not is a contraction for "Koreans can do."

Outwardly, the Korando does not resemble its sibling. It's shorter by 38 cm., narrower hy 5 cm., and higher by 5 em. It weighs 60 kg. less. It's the type of vehicle that makes a statement even when standing still. It's round, stubby and chunky, hut eminently attractive.

Many watersports entinesiasts have to make an agonizing

choice between purchasing a jes-sonal watercraft (more commonly known as a 'jeski') of a mistor

Now, with the arrival in the country of the Cainadian built. Shuttle graft, they can have the best of both worlds.

The Shuttle craft is a \$25m long raft with a dry weight of 266 kg. It is shaped in such a way that a jetski can be different into a micke in the rear end, handed in indeed in the place by master of specially constructed strates. The jetski is then able to drive the Shuttle craft. The whole becomes one unit — a high-powered

one unit — a high powerfed motorboat, or rather jet boat.

capable of sealing five passengers. At any time, the jetski may be detached from the Shintle

The Shuttle craft is equipment of the street copies of the stereo, copholders and stored.

With its old-fashioned running board, it resembles a '50s Chevrolet or Ford truck. Any "urban cowboy" would also love the inside. especially the dashboard with its wood-colored plastic veneer.

The stick shift is the zig-zag type, finished in wood veneer and chrome. Luxury accessories include climate control, front power windows, electrically controlled side mirrors and a Clifford alarm system with an immobilizer device. ABS brakes are standard equipment, which are linked to a high-tech traction control system that locks the differential should one or more wheels slip on a bad surface.

There are numerous safety extras such as truck-shaped rearview mirrors that provide increased rear vision, and a signal bell to fasten seat belts. Airbags, however, are not available.

The seats are comfortable and tastefully upholstered. Front seats fold and slide forward, facilitating access to the rear seats. The luggage space at the rear can; be enlarged by folding the back seats forward. I had no complaints about the looks, seating comfort, or interior space. I also found no fault in the soft suspension.

"The 2,874cc Mercades diesel engine, made juder license by Ssanyoog in Korea, may be eminently reliable but it's not the most modern on the market. It starts with a throb that could compete with an aging Egged bus, but the sound and the fary do not signify much. At only 99 horsepower and no turbo, it is slower man a game of cricket and only begins to get moving when the rev counter reaches 3,000. It takes more than 20 seconds to get the Korando from 0-100 km/h and the inbetween, or "overtaking," speeds are proportionally worse. It's the same when climbing steepish hills.

Open and Shuttle case

when the tarmac turns into dirt -- or mud or shifting sand, you name it. 1 took it over beaches, steep hills, slippery slopes and mud-filled gulleys. It put them in its pocket. I could hardly feel the bumps through the splendid suspension system.

You engage the 4WD by simply shifting a button. When the going gets really tough, you engage 4WD low hy flicking a switch after stopping the car and going into neutral. You can get even more power by engaging the braking gears 3 and 2 or a special extra gear called "2b."

The advantage of a diesel engine is not only that diesel fuel costs half as much as gasoline, but also that they generally use less fuel. The Korando's engine, however, is thirsty at the pumps. I calculated an average of 8 km./l. during the test drive.

In short the Korando, despite its stunning looks and finish, offers more value to serious off-roaders than to those who want a 4WD because of its fad appeal. Like the Musso, it has a big advantage in Israel because of its diesel engine and automatic shift.

The Korando is the least expensive 4WD with diesel and automatic. The others - the Musso, Mitsubishi Pajero and Land Rover Discovery cost more than NIS 160,000. A manual-shift Korando ranges from NIS 128,000-NIS 132,000.

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# Dr. Frankenstein meets James Bond

From a nine-meter long watergun to a one-man flying machine, AD&D is creating inventions that would give any mad scientist a run for his money

By NICKY BLACKBURN

rom the moment you walk into the offices of AD&D, Aero-Design & Development, you know it isn't your usual high-tech office. For starters, there are uneven patches of artificial grass over the carpet at the entrance. A further look around reveals scale models of helicopters and boats, propellers made of revolutionary new materials, the wing of a solar-powered aircraft hanging by an elastic band from the wall, and the odd Kinder toy or two

In fact this office, in the Weizmann Science Park in Rehovot, seems more like a grown-up play room than a tradi-tional office. Don't be fooled, however. These inventions may look like sophisticated toys, hut there's nothing childish about

Over the past 15 years, engi-oeering firm AD&D has created a string of cutting-edge developmeots in the aeronantical- and marine-design field for both the military and civilian markets. It is the only company of its kind in Israel, and one of only a handful in the world. Projects developed here employ the most advanced technology and materials. There are moments when you expect James Bond to walk in with Q, to try them on for size.

AD&D was founded in 1983 by Dr. Rafi Yoeli, who oow owns the private company with partner Israel Gutterman. While Yoeli isn't keen to discuss figures, or indeed the source of much of his funding, he admits that AD&D, with a staff of 20, is a profitable company that has a turnover of about \$2 million (NIS 7 million)

Yoeli, an aeronautical engineer, decided to open AD&D after studying for his Ph.D. in artificial intelligence at the Technion University in Haifa. During this period, he worked as a consultant for Israel Aircraft Industries (IAI), as well as Boeing in.

With the remuneration he received from IAI, be opened a small office in the Weizmann Science Park. Gradually he built up profits, which he ploughed back into R&D, taking on more staff as years he ran AD&D alone. In 1989, Gutterman joined him when the Lavi Project, on which he had been working, was canceled.

AD&D provides clients with full product development capahility, from feasibility studies to full-scale working prototypes. "It's a hit like creating Frankenstein," says Yoeli. "We take a hlank piece of paper and inscribe the first lines of a new machine, device or vehicle. Then we design and simulate it on a computer. Then we huild a model," he explains.

This is the ultimate job for any engineer and is rare today. The payoff in personal gratification is enormous. That's why this can easily turn into an obsession," he says. Sometimes the company is

approached by a client who needs a new product to solve a problem or check out the feasihility of an idea. Other times, the company develops its own ideas either with in-house money or funding from other sources, such as private business, the military or the government.

AD&D specializes in a number

of areas: aeronautical design. mechanical and naval eugineering, and high-speed propellers. Over the years, however, it has increasingly focused on helicopters and vertical flight, partly hy chance and partly because of Yoeli's love of flying.

Not only does Yoeli often wing his way to work in the company helicopter, but in his spare time he can be found paragliding, hang gliding, flying ultralights, and tinkering with radio-con-trolled model airplanes. "Aviation is [also] an obsession," he admits. While Yoeli is not at liberty to

talk about his military innovations, he is keen to talk about the company's civilian successes. These ioclode a low-cost unmanned marine vehicle called Stingray which AD&D developed on its own initiative. The vehicle, which uses satellite communication, can he used for a variety of hazardous duties such as clearing minefields or environmental pollution. It can also serve as a communications relay or decoy for search and rescue and surveillance work.

Another successful project was carried out for Israeli helicopter Chimnir, which approached AD&D after a request from the Israeli Electric Company for a system that could wash and

AD&D's latest device is a flying machine called the Humminghird, which coahles individuals to fly up to 10,000 feet at speeds of up to 60 km/h.

A four-engine, t.9-meter circular platform with a waist-high cage to stand in, the Hummingbird can be navigated simply hy shifting your body in the direction you want to go. Like a helicopter, it goes straight op on take-off. "It shouldn't he more difficolt than riding a bike," says Yoeli.

The idea was born in the US in

the 1950s. American scientists developed a similar vehicle which was never commercialized because it proved too dangerous to fly. With today's advanced technology, Yoeli is convinced that the problems encountered in the past have been eradicated. The platform should be ready for a test flight before the end of the year. While there are military appli-

cations for the Humminghird, Yoeli's main target is the leisure market. He hopes it will become as popular as the ultralight air-

Is the Humminghird dangerous? "No more dangerous than flying an ultralight," Yoeli insists.

certain solution is really the best. If you start with that doubt, you

can find ways to improve things. "Engineering is usually conceived of as a gray area. If you say you're dating an engineer, friends say, 'how dull.' The kind of engineeriog that I'm trying to establish here is about expanding your limits, discovering how far you can go with your imagination. I want to be an engineer like Gaudi was an architect. To cut off the reason we were taught at school and take risks. If you don't do this, you can't move forward. And you have to be pre-pared to fail once in a while." Yoeli admits that his first prior-

ity is oot to become rich. "If money were the only motivation, this company wouldn't have grown to where it is. It's prof-itable. That's important because we can make a living and have

Work and fuo are keywords at this company. If engineers are working on a paragliding project, AD&D sends the entire staff to a two-day paragliding course. If someone is involved in a marine project, he learns to sail. All in the interest of science, of course.



Since the take-off of the heli-wash system, washing powerline insulators is no longer such a headache.

clean power-line insulators.

One of the main problems with washing these insulators is that it is too dangerous to wash them from the ground unless you disconnect the power lines, which causes a power outage. One solution is to tackle them from

In just six weeks, AD&D developed a oine-meter long water gun made from advanced composite materials that fires high-pressure water at the insulators from a modified helicopter. Since then, several helicopters have been modified, and the system has accumulated thousands of line hours.

AD&D went on to develop other helicopter modifications such as a balcony that enables technicians to stand outside a helicopter cah and perform maintenance tasks on power lines; a system for threading steel wires between pylons; and a robotic machine that mouots plastic spheres on power lines.

Other successful projects include an advanced solar-powered high-altitude airplane; a miniature field control computer. and a onmber of revolutionary high-speed propellers.

"Today people are looking for excitement and speed, and this fills the requirement." It is likely that users will need a license to fly the platform, however. Safety features include an emergency parachute. Yoeli says the sturdy platform will he able to take a hard landing without damage. If one engine fails, the Humminghird can continue flying on the three remaining engines.

At present, AD&D is funding the project alone but is looking for a strategic partner who will invest in further development to turn the prototype into a "safe and repeatable product." The company hopes to find spoosorship from a large manufacturer such as Kawasaki or Yamaha.

It doesn't take long to realize that much of the creativity and excitement that pervades AD&D stems directly from Yoeli, a shy, soft-spokeo man who would rather philosophize than talk fig-

One of his hobbies is painting. Since 1995, when he took up the hrush, Yoeli has already had seven exhibitions. Creativity is his motivating factor. "The his motivating factor. "The whole premise behind AD&D is to consistently dooht whether a It's fun."

What's more, Yoeli does not believe in overtime. "At 5 p.m. everyone goes home," he says. "Everyone here puts out maximum effort. After a working day, you need to relax so tomorrow you can come back refreshed. We set our standards high."

New projects are already on the drawing board. AD&D is participating in a feasibility study of a new aerial application aircraft it hopes to design and huild. It has approached the Office of the Chief Scientist for funding.

In the future, Yoeli says, AD&D plans to hegin developing some of its creations, turning prototypes into products to sell to the public. If so, he plans to cre-ate subsidiaries or sell production to another company and make royalties from the sales.

Whether these plans materialize or not, Yoeli feels he has already achieved some of what he set out to do. "I wanted to create," he says. "I wanted to he able to say to my grandchildren that I did this and created that. I already have quite a good feeling that we did a few revolutionary things. I want to continue to excel, to be on the cutting edge.

# THE CONFERENCE CIRCUIT •

BY GREER FAY CASHMAN

15.9 Noted South African Peron South African will be the keynote spenker at a seminar on Economic Reditions between Israel, Other Middle East Countries and South hosted at the Tuxedo Hall, Til Aviv, by the Israel-South Chamber of Commerce. Davis, advisor to the South African govemment on tax policy and legal advisor at the constitutional negotiations that culminated in the new South African Constitution, will speak on "South Afria, Three Years into Democracy."

16.9 The buzz wird on the geonomic scene is "global," which is why so many

people from abroad are flocking to the Royal Lancaster Hotel, London, for the two-day conference on Global Emerging
Markets. Topics of discossion include: global mining investment, how the rise in pension funds will change the global economy in the 21st century; European stability; value investing at market lows; and equity finance in today's market.

16.9 The Jerusalem 1/. Yand abroad will focus on improving husiness activities Center is the venue for the high voltage 14th Convention of Professionals Working in Electricity Focused Fields. Presentations will deal with many aspects of electricity, including the

application of new standards; preventing electrocution through promoting safety in the home; electrical systems in public projects; and trends in electrical installations toward the year 2000. Problems that still confront the industry will be discussed. Some solutions to previous problems will be

17.9 Speakers from Israel abroad will focus to achieve optimum results at a seminar at the Dan Panorama Convention Center, Tel Aviv. Organized by the Israel Business Institute, the seminar is titled Target: Record Profits.

## BITS & BYTES

Babylon creates translation software: Start-up company Babylon has unveiled software that instantly translates any English word into the user's language. By clicking on any English word on the computer screen, the user can open a display giving the word's translation into Spanish, German, Japanese, French or Italian. Babylon is a member of Israel's Mashov Group. The software can he downloaded free at www. babylon.co.il.

ECI to provide Deotsche Telekom with network techoology: EC1 Telecom and Uniskor have been chosen by Deutsche Telekom as a supplier of ISDN Network Termination units, which connect subscribers to the telecommunications exchange. The companies did not disclose the sum of the deal. ECI develops digital telecommunications and data transmission systems. Deutsche Telekom is the third largest telecommunications provider worldwide.

Electric Fuel and Tomen to market electric car. Tomen of Japan has signed an agreement to market Electric Fuel's zinc-air battery in the Far East. Tomen will represent Electric Fuel in the Japanese automotive industry and present the company's product to the government. The two companies will also set up an experi-mental fleet of vehicles and a recycling and refueling station for the zinc-air battery. Based in Har Hotzvim, this is Electric Fuel's first agreement in the Far

Scitex and Komori announce strategic alliance: Scitex Corp. and Komori Corp. have announced a strategic alliance for the joint development and marketing of products designed for prepress and pressroom operations. Initially, the two companies will focus on the interfacing of their systems, while the deal's long-term objectives include the joint marketing of an expanded product line.

S-1 Corporation visits Israel: The chairman of Korea's S-1 Corporation led a company delegation on a recent fact-finding mission. S-1, a leading specialist in the field of safety and security, including protection of airports, ports, financial institutions, fire protection and rescue services, is jointly owned hy the Korean Samsung Corporation and the Japanese Secom company. While here, the delegates met with several Israeli companies.

Tadiran Batteries \$500,000 deal with Texas Instruments: Tadiran Batteries, a subsidiary of Tadiran Ltd., has signed an agreement to supply \$500,000 worth of its lithium batteries to Texas Instruments. The loog-life batteries, which can stand-np under tough conditions,

will be used in California's tollroad collection systems.

WITH JENNIFER FRIEDLIN

Top Image signs agreement with Mexican co.: Top Image Systems recently announced that it signed a distribution agreement with the Mexico-hased ADAMEX-IMC Group. According to the agree-ment, ADAMEX will market Top Image's form-processing, information-recognition and data-entry

Venture capital conference set for Thursday: A conference designed to introduce husinesspeople to the world of venture capital will take place on Thursday at the Hilton, Tel Aviv. Sponsored by Ernst & Young, Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati, VentureOne and Sequoia Capital, the Venture Capital-High-Tech Entrepreneur Journey conference will explain the process of establishing a hightech company and working with

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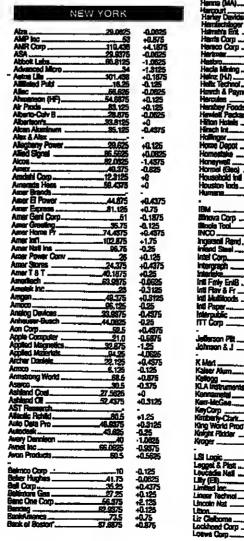
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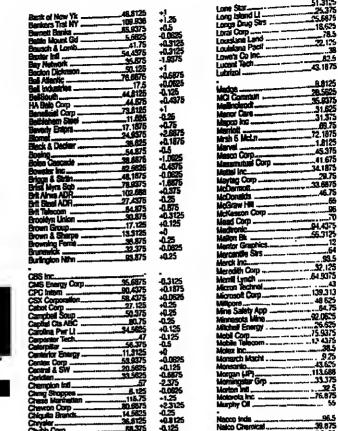
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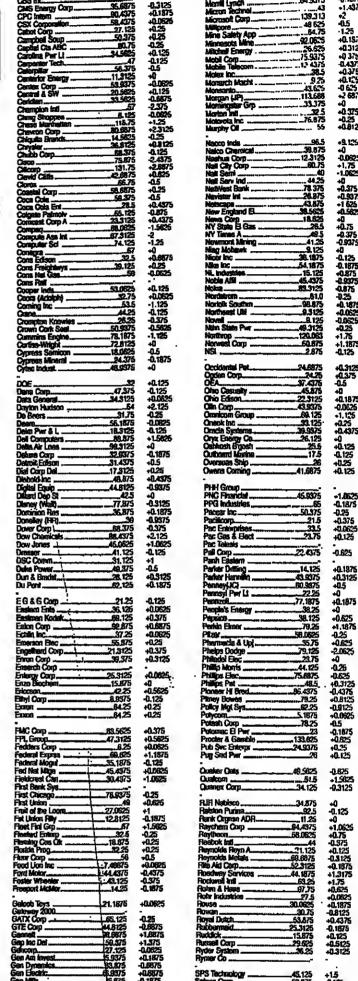
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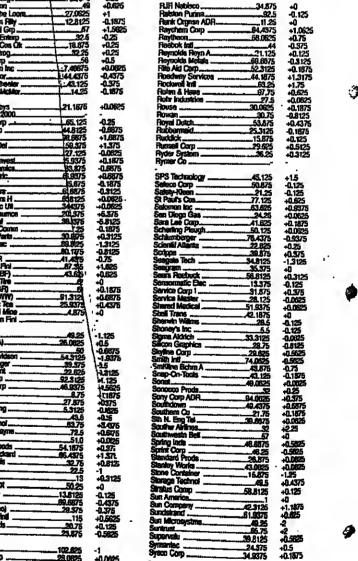
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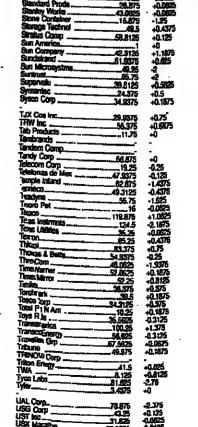
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Tel Aviv shares rise led by banks

# Tel Aviv

Israeli stocks rose, led by the banks, after an investor group agreed to pay more than the market price for Bank Hapoalim, the coun-

try's largest bank. Bank Leumi Le-Israel, Israel's second biggest bank, rose 3.25 percent amid expectations the government will also sell a stake in it for more than its current value, said traders. Israel Discount Bank rose

"Today's story is banks, banks, banks," said Eli Nahum, head of trading at Zannex Securities, a Tel Aviv investment firm. The Aviv investment firm. Hapoalim sale indicated Israeli banks trade at a cheap price; Leumi is very attractive, and very On Friday the government said it

sold a 43% stake in the bank for \$1.37 billion, 18% more than the bank's market value, to a group led by cruise ship magnate Ted Arison. founder of Miami-based Carnival Corp.

Bank Hapoalim itself fell 0.50%.

Big sellers may want to take advantage of the high trading volume," said Doron Tsur, bead of research at Tel Aviv investment firm Sahar Securities. Eventually, he said, "the shares will go op – the fundamentals look good." The Maof Index of 25 stocks rose

0.24% to 294.23. The Tel Aviv Continuous Trading Index of 20 stocks rose 0.77% to 97.02. The Mishtanim Index of most-traded

stocks rose 0.23% to 286.55. The general bond index rose 0.1%. Indications that US shares would rise when the market opened also boosted Israeli stocks in late trad-

# Europe

ing, said Nahum.

UK stocks traded mixed as robust growth in industrial output shows little sign of feeding through into consumer prices, giving investors mixed signals on whether interest rates will rise further. Industrial production rose 0.6% in July from June, compared with forecasts of 0.1%, though stable figures for manufacturing prices showed inflation remains subdued.

"Industrial production was a bit negative, so the market is cautious about interest rates," said John Parrot, head of research at Commercial Union Asset Management, which has 6 billion pounds under management.

The benchmark FT-SE 100 Index slid 9 points to 4985.2, after dropping as much as 21... points earlier in the day. Stocks reversed part of the early decline after the Dow Jones Industrial Average rose as much as 48.31 points to 7870.72 in early trading. The broader UK FT-SE 250 Index rose 5.1 points to 4686.10.

The market was led lower earlier by oil and bank stocks. British Petroleum Plc fell as much as 15 pence to 909, before rising back to 915, while Shell Transport &

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Concern that interest rates are heading higher is exaggerated, said John Ainsworth, head of equities at Hill Samuel Asset Management, which has 13 billion pounds invest-ed in UK equities. "We're still running with our old favorites, the major banks, pharmaceutical and oil companies," he said.

The prospect of robust growth and low inflation justifies this year's rally in stocks. Manufacturer's selling price rose 0.1% in August from July, in line with forecasts, and only 1.4% in the last 12 months.

### Asia

Japanese stocks fell, paced by banks like Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi Ltd. amid concern about their ability to write off non-per-

The benchmark Nikkei 225 Stock Average fell 16.31 points or 0.09% to 18,633,86. The Topix average of

all shares on the first section fell 4.05 points or 0.28%, to 1440.60. "Banks are stretched trying to write off these loans," said Akio Yoshino, director of Credit Suisse Trust and Banking Co., which handles I trillion yen (\$8 billion) in securities. Japan's 10 largest commercial banks held 7.9 trillion yen

in bad loans as of March 31. Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi Ltd. will post a first-half loss from writing off 800 billion yen (\$6.6 billion) in bad loans, the Nihon Keizai newspaper said last week, without citing sources. The bank

said it was considering the move. The 800 billion yen is greater than the 790 billion yen in bad loans the bank said were on its books as of March 31.

"People are saying, 'If Tokyo-Mitsubishi has more debt than it was letting on, so does everybody else," said Jason James, a strategist at HSBC James Capel Japan Ltd. Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi fell 30 yen to 2,140. Long-Term Credit Bank of Japan Ltd. fell 17 yen to 573. Daiwa Bank Ltd. fell 23 yen

to 1.710. Hokkaido Takushoku Bank Ltd. fell 11 yen to 109 following a report in Saturday's Nihon Keizai newspaper that its acquisition of Hokkaido Bank Ltd. will be "indefinitely postponed." Hokkaido Bank fell 3 yen to 137.

(Bloomberg)

## **Wall Street**

NEW YORK (Reuters) - Stocks closed higher yesterday, as the market tracked the jump in bonds after Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greeospan's latest comment 2 on the economy failed to ratile Wall Street.

The Dow Jones Transportation index soared to a new high, tagging along with rising airline stocks. Based on early and unofficial data, the Dow Jones industrial

average ended up 12.77 points at 7,835.18.

The session was highlighted by small stocks extending their rally and airline shares driving the Dow Jones Transport index to a record high of 3,026.05, up 66.52 points from Friday's close, and bearing its old high of 3,009.25 set Aug. 6.

In the broader market, advanc-ing issues outnumbered declines 17-10 on moderate volume of 463 million shares on the New York Stock Exchange.

The Nasdaq Composite closed up 9.58 points at 1,645.35.

Traders said investors took heart in a strong Treasury market after Greenspan gave no indications of an imminent credit tightening in a speech after the market's close on Friday.

"Greenspan's comments over the weekend were benign and nonthreatening, at least in the near term," said Guy Truicko, equity portfolio manager at Unity

# Dollar Steady as US rates expected to remain stable

The dollar was little changed attractive.

hove earlier lows against the "I don't expect the Fed will above earlier lows against the mark amid expectations the US ecooomy isn't growing fast enough to warrant an interest rate rise any time soon.

Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan sent a strong signal Friday that US rates won't rise in September as the economy is close to price stability because global competition and rising productivity are keeping inflation

By contrast, speculation the Buodesbank could raise its official money-market rates in the oear future to keep prices in check belped bolster the mark against the dollar. The US currency fell to a one-week low of 1.7943 marks in Asian trading. Higher German rates undermine the dollar by making markdenominated deposits more

raise rates to September, though the situation isn't as ent and dry as it seems," said Erik Fishwick, an economist at Nikko Europe. The inflation pieture is deteriorating in Germany which leads to pessimism oo the outlook of rates in the short term."

The dollar was trading at .8033 marks, little changed from 1.8005 marks earlier in Europeantrading. It was also steady at 121.02 yeo from 120.80 at Friday's London close.

The target Fed funds rate was last raised in March by a quarter-point to 5.5 perceot. The Fed policy makers next meet on Sept. 30. Retail sales are expected to rise 0.6% in August while producer prices are seeo rising 0.3% in August from a fall of 0.1% in July. Friday, a US jobs report



showed that the US ecocomy added a fewer 49,000 jobs in August.

In Europe, coocern mounted that rates would rise after natiooal ceotral banks hinted they could The mark has now declined by January, making imported goods more expensive in Germany and risking fucling inflatioo. Meantime, investors watch carefully US stocks after

Greenspan raised the issue about, the implications of an extraordinary surge in US stocks. If investors sold US securities, that could burt the dollar because

of the need to convert the dollar proceeds ioto their home curreo-"I'm afraid the Dow (Jones Industrial Average) will decline a bit." said Makoto Sato, manager for foreign exchange at Bank of

against the mark." Fed's primary focus is to ensure inflation remains low and not to adjust rates with an aim of target-15% against the dollar since ing an appropriate level for

Against the yen, traders expect the dollar will remain underpinned as the Bank of Japan is seeo unanimoosly leaving the official discount rate unchanged this year, as the US economy.

Swiss National Bank President Hans Meyer said Friday the central bank is "aware that we can't cootinge our expansive monetary policy for much longer if we are to avoid the building up of new inflationary pressure."

The dollar was trading at 1.4796 Swiss francs, above Friday's lows of 1.4692. Switzerland has kept its dis-

Tokyo-Mitsubishi Ltd. "That's. why I expect the dollar to fall count rate at 1 percent since September last year to encourage Still. Greenspan added the economic growth by making compaoies' borrowing costs cheap. Fast-paced growth can ultimately lead to inflation. (Bloomberg)

# Oil declines ahead of UN vote on Iraqi exports

# Precious metals

Gold prices were little changed in London interbank trading. Gold for immediate delivery fell 25 cents to \$322,30 an ounce.

Platinum rose and palladium prices were little changed in London interbank trading. Supplies of platinum remain scarce due to only sporadic shipments from Russia, the

world's second-largest producer. Russia, which last year provided about a quarter of the global supply of platinum, failed to ship any of the metal in the first six-and-a-half months of the year. Its shipments since then, especially to the spot market in Zurich, have been limited. Traders in Tokyo said the

September stúpment of platinum destined for users in Japan is due to arrive this week.

Spot platinum rose \$2.10 to \$421.50 an ounce. Spot palladium rose 50 cents to \$190.50 an ounce.

# **Energy**

October crude oil fell 7 cents to \$19.56 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange, as traders awaited today's UN vote on whether to allow Iraq to sell about \$500 million worth of oil it would otherwise be unable to export after last Friday's deadline imposed by the UN. The US may still veto the pro-

posal though.
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The benchmark 30-year

Treasury bond rose 7/32, or \$2.19

per \$1,000 bond, to 96 25/32,

pushing its yield down 2 basis points to 6.62 percent. The two-year note's yield fell 1 basis point

Greenspan's comments added to

speculation that the Fed will

refrain from raising rates at a poli-

cy meeting on Sept. 30, traders said. The Fed last raised the target

for overnight borrowing between banks in March, to 5.5% from

5.25%. It left rates unchanged at

to 5.94%.

# COMMODITIES

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Erika veered north-northeast over the weekend, avoiding refineries in

the Caribbean. October gasoline fell 0.62 cent to 59.50 a gallon on the Nymex. Gasoline demand is expected to fall in weeks ahead, now that the tradi-

tional summer driving season has

# **Heavy metals**

Copper prices were little changed amid rising stockpiles. London Metal Exchange inventories of the metal rose 475 metrie tons to 285,325 tons Friday from Thursday, the exchange said in its latest daily report, and are now at their highest level since June 11 1996. The stockpile has more than doubled since reaching a sixmonth low of 121,550 tons on June

The benchmark three-month \$2,168 a metrie tom

## Coffee

September coffee opened \$20 lower on the London International Financial Futures and Options Exchange. Prices fell in New York Friday, ending eight days of gains, amid expectations that beans from early harvests in Colombia and Central America will replenish stockpiles, as US roasters prepare for peak winter demand.

The bulk of the coffee harvest in Colombia, the world's second-largest grower, and Central America won't be start until late September, traders said. Robusta coffee for November delivery on Liffe closed copper contract fell \$4 to \$2,165- \$10 lower at \$1,660 a metric ton.

# US bonds rise following Greenspan's remarks

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Speaking in California late Friday, Greenspan said the US economy is close to price stability, because of productivity gains that are understated by official government statistics.

"He said he'd do the right thing if inflation kicks up, but also said inflation is not kicking up," said Larry Dyer, a bond market analyst at Credit Suisse First Boston, "You can tack a small bullish angle on that and the market seems to be

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Retail sales will probably show an increase of 0.6% in August. according to economists.

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The December Eurodollar contract recently had an implied yield of 5.90%. That compares with the 5.72% rate for three-month borrowing, and suggests investors see a better than 50% chance the Fed will move before the contract expires in mid-December.

To be sure, some investors said slow inflation will keep the Fed on hold. "1'm bullish on Treasuries, because I think the Fed won't raise rates in the eoming months as inflation will be under control," said Kei Teshima, a money manager at Sumitomo Marine & Fire Insurance Co.

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# **BMW** returning to Formula One

FRANKFURT (Reuter) -German luxury carmaker BMW said yesterday it would return 10 Formula One motor racing in the year 2000, building engines for the Williams racing team.

BMW, which quit Formula One 10 years ago, said it had signed a five-year deal with Williams but suggested the company intended to remain in FI even longer.

"The BMW board was united in its belief that now was the time to join F1." BMW chairman Bernd Pischetsrieder told a news conference.

Pischeisrieder said he was confident the company could develop a competitive engine within the next two years.

# of seeing red

There is a red storm rising over local soccer.

Yesterday the sport's adminstrators announced a tightening-up of punishments for disciplinary offences in the wake of weekend play which saw a record nine players sent off in eight National League

in a bid to clamp down on unfair play, the Israel Football Association passed a new regulation under which players on the receiving end of a red card will face an automatic onematch ban for their first violation, rising to a two-game suspension for the second dismissal, and so on. In other disciplinary news Hapoel

Kozoshvili is appealing a three-match Euro-suspension meted out by UEFA as a result of his dismissal in the club's UEFA Cup preliminary tie against Denmark's Veile last

The Petah Tikvans are hoping that their captain will be able to play in at least one of the forthcoming ties against Rapid Vienna next week.

Also on the European front, UEFA yesterday rejected a request by Belgian club FC Brugge for their forthcoming UEFA Cup tie at Teddy Stadium against Betar Jerusalem to be played at another venue in light of the deteriorating security situation evidenced by last week's fatal terror bombing in Ben-Yehuda Mall.

### LOCAL SCENE

# Erlich reaches 150 in ATP rankings

By HEATHER CHAIT

The ATP rankings of Israel's Davis Cup team to play against Morocco at the end of next week at Ramat Hasharon have Eyal Erlich at 150, Eyal Ran at 171, Rayiv Weidenfeld at 217 and Noam Behr at 376. Nir Welgreen, the fifth man in the squad, is ranked at 418.

Erlich, Ran and Behr are all currently playing in the \$400,000 Tashkent ATP tournament. In stark contrast to the local rackets is the Moroccan crack squad of Hicham Arazi who slots in

at 37 and Karim Alami at 52. Martial arts: Israel's prowess in the world of marual arts produced silver and bronze medals at two international competitions this week.

Judoka Arik Ze'evi won the silver medal at a tournament in Bonn, Germany in the 95 kilogram category, removing the world junior champion from his path to the final where Ze'evi lost to a German entrant.

The first medal in a major taekwando competition wenl (o Elia Madar, daughter of Michel, the secretary of the Israel Tackwando Association.

Elia won the bronze medal at the European Youth Championships (18 years) held in Greece in the 57kg group. Among her conquests were contestants from Cyprus, Croatia and Greece.

Golf: Max Shapiro battled the gusty wiods at

Caesarea's golf cluh on Friday to win the A division of the monthly medal competition. His three-overpar 76 was one too good for Zev Abraham who finished second with 77. Leslie Ben-Amir was third

In the B division Moshe Namdar also had 76 for first place with Ephraim Katzman on 79 and Yossie Specior third with 80. Eli Segev scored the only under par in the C division, nabbing four under par 69. Hanan Eshed was second with 76 and Moshe Zarkover on 77. Devora Deutch won the D group, also with 76 with Solly Friedman and Harry Brodie on 77 hut Friedman's better back nine jostled him into second place.

Four golfers have reached the semi-finals of the individual matchplay tournament. They are Hanoch Reichenberg who will play Malca Geri and Jules Cuburnek who faces Moshe Zarkover.

Flying: The Aero Club of Israel will enter 56 members in the first Air Olympics to be held at various venues in Turkey from September 13-22. Four thousand sports aviators from 75 countries will compete in ten branches of air sports such as gliding, aerobatics, free-fall parachuting, paragliding and air

As part of the Olympics, some 23 jet aircraft will drop in at Tel Aviv's Sde Dov Airport on September 16, continuing to Amman after two days and ending their journey in Turkey.

# Soccer players Rafter wins US Open crown should be wary NEW YORK (Reuter) - Australian Patrick Rafter capped two weeks of sensational serve and volley tensis on Sunday by beating

volley tennis on Sunday by beating unseeded Briton Greg Rusedski to win the US Open title.

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The 13th-seeded Rafter, who had been to five finals this year without a victory, claimed his first major title with a hard fought 6-3 6-2 4-6 7-5 victory over the biggest server in the

"I just can't believe it at the moment. I'm in a fantasyland," Rafter said after receiving the trophy

and the \$650,000 winner's check. "It's something you never dream of. Well, you dream of it, but you never think it's going to happen," said the deliriously happy champion.

The 24-year-old wonder from Down Under, the first Australian to win a Grand Slam event since Pat Cash at Wimbledon in 1987, joins a legendary list of US Open champions from Australia but is the first since John Newcombe's 1973 win at

Rusedski, who had lost in the first round of his three previous trips to the Open, was obviously pleased with his showing despite the disap-pointment of losing the biggest match of his life.

"I've had a good run but Pat played extremely well," said the big lefthander.

"He had a great run and he deserved to win the tournament," added the Canadian-born Briton, who delivered the biggest serve ever recorded - a 143 mile per hour (230 kph) screaming service winner in the fourth set that left Rafter checking his racket to see if it was still intact.

"Pat was the bigger player today, he took the advantage on the big points and that's why he was the winner," said Rusedski, who earned \$350,000 for his first appearance in a Grand Slam final.

Rafter, who played by far the best termis of his life here, losing just two sets in seven matches, sees his ranking rise to third in the world as a result of his Open heroics.

The matchup marked the first US Open final of the decade without an American competitor, thanks in no small part to Rafter, who took out Andre Agassi in the fourth round and second-seed Michael Chang in the The Australian heartthrob, who

seemed to have the young women in and he tightened up with his first



SAVORING THE MOMENT - Pat Rafter celebrates after beating Greg Rusedski to win the US Open title on Sunday.

the crowd pulling for him at every match, appeared remarkably cool and composed over the first two sets as he played the same brilliantly athletic serve and volley game that buried Chang in straight sets.

Rusedski, aiming to end a 61-year British Grand Slam title drought, seemed unnerved by the enormity of the occasion in the early going. His first serves were not going in and he botched far too many makeable vol-

Rafter made the most of his break opportunities in the first two sets, claiming the Briton's serve once in the opener and twice more in the second. The Australian calmly saved three

successive break points to grab a 5-2 lead before serving out the first set and didn't allow Rusedski a single break point in the second. Just when he seemed in for a swift

straight-sets victory, however, the fact that Rafter was so close to a Grand Slam title appeared to sink in, serve percentage taking a nosedive. At the same time, Rusdeski lifted his game and began a valiant fight back. breaking Rafter early for a 3-0 lead. "We both knew what was at stake,"

Rafter said of the mounting pressure. The 13th seed broke back in the fifth game and held serve to level the set. But in the final game of the third set, Rusedski, who turned 24 Saturday, got two set-point opportunities on Rafter's serve.

On the second, Rafter appeared to produce a deep volley winner, but Rusedski came up with an astonishing backhand winner down the line on a dead run to send the match into a fourth set

"I was a little bit down but after you hold your first couple of service games you feel a sense of relief," said Rafter, who went up an early break in the fourth.

up into the stands to celebrate with his friends. "I just wanted to just lie down and soak it up," he said of his immediate Rafter had a golden chance to go up two breaks for 4-1, but Rusedski reaction.

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He later saved a fourth break point

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Rafter in the next game to put the set

sets there, mate, and I'm going to be out here a long time." Rafter recalled.

But with Rusedski leading 5-4,

Rafter reeled off eight consecutive

points for a 6-5 lead that left him

He reached match point with an

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crosscourt volley winner - just the

kind of point that had gotten him to

He then fell over on his back in

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# **National Football League Summaries**

Green Bay 0 6 3 0-9 Philadelphia 0 0 a 7-10 Prisoceiphia 0 0 2 7—10
Second Quarter: GB—FG Longwell 22,
7:54. GB—FG Longwell 18, 0:00. Third
Quarter: Phi—FG Boniol 32, 12:32.
GB—FG Longwell 27, 5:48.Fourth
Quarter: Phi—Solomon 2 pass Irom
Detmer (Boniol kick), 1:56. A—66,080.
INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING—Green Bay, Levens 22-90, Henderson 6-1a. Philadelphia, Watters 23-81, Gamer 3-18, Turner 1-1, Detmer

3-0. PASSING—Green Bay, Favre 19-41-1-279. Philadelphia, Detmer 19-32-0-173. RECEIVING—Green Bay, Brooks 6-90, Feeman 4-63, Henderson 4-41, Mayes 2-40, Thomason 2-32, Levens 1-13. Philadelphia, Fryar 6-125, Watters 3-0, Timpson 2-16, Solomon 2-8, Seay 1-8, Garner 1-5, Lewis 1-5, Turner 1-3, MISSED FIELD GOALS—Green Bay, Longwell 28 (WR). Philadelphia, Boniol 48 (WL).

NY Giants 7 0 6 0—1a
Jacksonville 0 20 a 17—40
First Quarter: NYG—Barber 4 run
(Daluiso kick), 2:29. Second Quarter:
Jac—FG Hoffis 29, 14:14. Jac—Stewart
1 run (Hoffis kick), 10:52. Jac—Means 9
run (Hoffis kick), 3:12. Jac—FG Hoffis
52, :00. Third Quarter: Jac—FG Hoffis
35, 2:45. NYG—Calloway 8 pass from
Brown (pass falled), :30. Fourth
Quarter:

Jac—FG Hollis 42, 9:43. Jac—Means 5 run (Hollis kick), 5:56. Jaco-Stewart 12 run (Hollis kick), 1:55. A—70,581. INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS RUSHING—New York, Barber 11-17, Way 4-16, Wheatley 1-6. Jacksonville, Means 24-85, Stewart 9-24, Matthews 1-10, Shelton 4-2,

Hallock 1-2. PASSING—New York, Brown 16-35-1-82. Jacksonville, Matthews 23-35-0-

RECEIVING-New York, Wheatley 4-RECEIVING—New York, wheavey 4-39, Barber 3-43, Calloway 3-39, Cross 3-12, Hilliard 1-23, Toomer 1-19, Lewis 1-7. Jacksonville, Smith 8-117, McCardell 4-71, Stewart 4-13, Jackson 2-19, Mitchell 2-11, Means 1-20, Brown

Baltimore 0 3 10 10—23
Second Quarter: Cin—Pickers 8 pess from Blate (Pelfrey Idck), 10:03. Balting 15 (Pelfrey Idck), 10:03. Balting 16 (Pelf 46, 37. Third cluarier: Bai—Slover 32, 6:09. Bai—Graham 5 run (Stover kick), 1:02. Fourth Quarter: Bai—Green 18 pass from Testaverde (Stover kick), 9:36. Bai—FG Stover 41, 3:45. A—

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS RUSHING\*-Cincinnati, Blake 3-34, Carter 10-22, Bienierry 1-0. Baltimore, Byner 17-75, Graham 18-73, Testaverde 2-(minus 2). PASSING—Cincinnati, Blake 25-45-2-317. Baltimore, Testaverde 25-36-1-

RECEIVING—Cincinnati, Pickens 8-99, McGee 4-71, Bienlemy 4-41, Scott 3-42, Twyner 3-41, Carter 2-9, Milne 1-14. Baltimore, Alexander 8-104, Jackson 6-85, Green 4-35, Graham 2-23, Yarborough 2-17, Kinchen 2-10, Byner 1-1. MISSED FIELD GOALS—Cincinnati. Peltrey 51 (WL); 43 (WL); 46 (BK).

Atlanta 0 3 3 0-6 Second Quarter: All-FG Andersan 25. 10:53. Third Cuarter: Att—FG Andersen 28, 7:09. Fourth Cuarter: Car—FG Kasay 31, 12:39. Car—FG Kasay 31, 2:39. Car—FG Kasay 39, 00. A-51,829. INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING-Carolina, Johnson 24-86, Greene 2-6; Beuerlein 1-5, Ismail 1-(minus 4). Atlanta, Anderson 17-42, Green 6-5, Hanspard 1-2, Christian 1-O, Toliver 2-(minus 1).

PASSING—Carolina, Beuerlein 21-35-0-268. Atlanta, Chandler 4-8-0-83.
Toliver 7-17-0-79.

RECEIVING—Carolina, Muhammad 8-71, Walls 7-147, Ismail 2-25, Carruth 2-18, Johnson 2-7, Atlanta, Emanuel 3-50, Mathis 2-47, Anderson 2-12, Christian 2-8, Santiago 1-26, Green 1-

MISSED FIELD GOALS-Carolina.

Buttalo 0 14 7 7—28
NY Jets 3 10 6 3—22
First Quarter: NYJ—FG Hall 26, 3:59.
Second Quarter: NYJ—Ward 19 pass
from O'Donnell (Hall kick), 14:15. Buf—
Thomas 2 run (Christie kick), 8:58.
Buf—Reed 10 pass from Collins
(Christie kick), 5:57. NYJ—FG Hall 19,
0:00. Third Quarter: Buf—Early 37
pass from Collins (Christie kick), 8:49.
NYJ—Glenn 98 kickoff return (run
alled), 6:32. Fourth Quarter: NYJ—FG lalied), 6:32. Fourth Quarter: NYJ—FG Hall 52, 9:52. Buf—Riemersma 10 pass Irom Collins (Christie kick), 6:50. A—

72,898. INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS RUSHING—Buffalo, A.Smhn 14-47. Thomas 12-18, Collins 6-17, Mohr 1-(minus 9). New York, Murrell 14-27, L.Johnson 4-11, O'Donnell 2-1,

Anderson 1-0.
PASSING—Buffalo, Colfins 15-22-2-PASSING—Buffalo, Collins 15-22-2-210. New York, O'Donnell 16-37-2-218. RECEIVING—Buffalo, Reed 5-39, Tindale 4-105, Riemersma 2-19, Early 1-37, LJohnson 1-8, Moulds 1-8, A.Smith 1-(minus 6). New York, K.Johnson 3-86, D.Ward 3-51, Chrebet 3-39, Anderson 3-18, LJohnson 2-14, Royste 1-1 Brady 1-9, Baxter 1-1.
MISSED FIELD GOALS—New York,

Minnesota 3 0 10 14—27 Minnesota 3 0 10 14—27
Chicago 0 10 7 7—24
Firsl Guarter: Min—FG Davis 33, :47.<
Second Quarter: Chi—FG Jaeger 39, 10:23. Chi—Proehl 25 pass from Kramer (Jaeger kick), 5:48. Third Quarter: Min—FG Davis 28, 10:19.
Min—Thomas 22 lumble return (Davis 10:19). kick), 10:02. Chi—Engram 10 pass from Kramer (Jaeger kick), 1:01. Fourth Quarter: Min—Reed 21 pass from B.Johnson (Davis kick), 13:26. Chi— Harris 59 run (Jaeger kock), 11:52.

Min—Walsh 9 pass from B.Johnson (Davis kick), :37. A—59,263.

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS RUSHING—Minnesota, Smith 13-85, 10. Euros 5-10. B. Johnson 2-

RUSHING—Minnesota, Smith 1996, Hoard 5-19, Evans 5-10, B.Johnson 2-3, Chicago, Harris 8-77, Salaam 13-64, Hughes 1-3, Kramer 1-3, PASSING—Minnesota, B.Johnson 33-24, 1997, 19 44-1-285 Chicago, Kramer 21-36-

RECEIVING Minnesola, Reed 12-118. Carter 9-107, Palmer 4-18, Evans 3-10, Goodwin 2-14, Walsh 1-9, Hoard 3-10, Geodwin 2-14, Wash 1-9, Hoard 1-7, Smith 1-2. Chicago, Engram 6-63, Harris 6-15, Proehl 4-51, Hughes 2-22, Wetnight 1-9, Penn 1-8, Jennings 1-8, MISSED FIELD GOALS—Minnesota. Davis 40 (S), 42 (WL).

Tampa Bay 10 7 0 7—24
Detroit 0 3 7 7—17
First Quarier: TB—FG Husted 41, 9:57. First Quarter: TB—FG Husted 41, 9:57. TB—Hape 1 pass from Differ (Husted kick), 5:09. Second Quarter: TB—Dunn 6 run (Husted kick), 5:21. Del—FG Hanson 48, :06. Third Quarter: Del—Morion 73 pass from Mitchell (Hanson kick), 6:30 Fourth Quarter: TB—Alstott 1 run (Husted kick), 6:42. Del—Sanders 66 pass from Mitchell (Hanson kick), :15. A—58.234. INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS RUSHING—Tumpa Bay, Dunn 24-130,

Alstott 14-34, Differ 3-9.
Detroit, Sanders 10-20, Rivers 1-3, Machell 1-1.

PASSING—Tampa Bay, Differ 12-24-0115. Detroit, Mitchell 29-50-1-331.

RECEIVING—Tampa Bay, Copeland
4-44, Dunn 2-20, Anthony 2-19,
Williams 1-18, D.Moore 1-8, Thomes 1-5, Hape 1-1. Detroit, Sanders 8-102,
Sioan 7-49, H.Moore 6-51, Morton 4102, Milburn 2-18, Metzelaars 2-8.
MISSED FIST COALS Detroit

Washington 0 3 10 0-13 Pittsburgh 7 0 0 7-14 First Quarter: Pit-Stewart 1 run First Quarter: Pit—Stewart 1 run (N.Johnson kick), 8:18. Second Quarter: Was—FG Blanton 37, 12:00. Third Quarter: Was—Mischell 97 kickoff return (Blanton kick), 14:42. Was—FG Blanton 28, 3:29. Fourth Quarter: Pit—Bettis 1 run (N.Johnson kick), 13:23. A—58,059. INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS RUSHING—Washington, Davis 17-66, Mitchell 3-5, Westbrook 1-(minus 2). Pittsburgh, Bettis 27-134, Stewart 10-70, Blackwell 1-11, Hawkins 1-7. PASSING—Washington, Frarotta 19-35-3—270, Hostatler 2-2-0—15, Pittsburgh, Stewart 8-17-1—82. RECEIVING—Washington, Asher 6-48, Shepherd 5-87, Elizard 4-78, Davis 2-20, Mitchell 2-13, Westbrook 1-29, Bowle 1-10. Pittsburgh, C.Johnson 3-33, Jones 1-14, Bottkin 1-11, Hawkins 1-11, Bettis 1-9, Blackwell 1-4. MisSED FIELD GOALS—None.

MISSED FIELD GOALS—Detroit, Hanson 52 (WL).

San Diego 7 3 3 7—20
New Orleans 3 8 0 0—6
First Quarter: NO—FG Brien 37, 9:43.
SD—Harrison fumble recovery in end zone (Carney kick), 5:39. Second Quarter: NO—FG Brien 31, 12:43.
SD—FG Carney 37, 1:15. Third Quarter: SD—FG Carney 34, 2:40.
Fourth Quarter: SD—FG Carney 34, 2:40.
Fourth Quarter: SD—FJ Jones 21 pass Irom Everett (Carney kick), 2:10 A from Everett (Carney kick), 2:10. A-INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS RUSHING—San Diego, Brown 21-46, C.Jones 1-9, Craver 1-3, Fletcher 3-2, Pegram 1-2, Everett 2-(minus 4). New Orleans, Davis 10-34, Zellars 8-14, Shuler 4-13, Bates 3-4. PASSING—San Diego, Everett 17-29-1-195. New Orleans, Shuler 20-38-3-

194. RECEIVING—San Diego, Metcall 4-65, Fletcher 4-35, Still 3-50, Fulones 2-17, Culones 2-7, Hartley 1-13, T.Martin 1-8. New Orleans, Hill 7-63, Hestings 5-37, Davis 4-46, Hobbs 1-21, Guliford 1-11, I.Smith 1-11, Zellars 1-5. MISSED FIELD GOALS—None.

New England 7 7 7 10—31 Indianapolis 3 3 0 0—6 First Quarter: NE—Jefferson 34 pass from Bledsoe (Vinatieri kick), 5:39. Ind—FG Blanchard 45, :01. Ind—FG Blanchard 45, 301.

Second Quarter: Ind—FG Blanchard
38, 5:11. NE—Martin 21 pass from
Bledsoe (Vinatieri kick), 3:01. Third
Quarter: NE—Brisby 8 pass from
Bledsoe (Vinatieri kick), :35. Fourth
Quarter: NE—Brown 21 pass from
Bledsoe (Vinatieri kick), 10:48. NE—FG
Vinatieri 21, 2:13. A—53, 832.

Vinatieri 21, 2:13. A—53, 832.

Vinateri 21, 213, A-53,632. INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS RUSHING-New England, Martin 25-121, Bladsoe 1-1. Indianapolis, Faulk 16-23, Harbaugh 3-14, Warren 3-4. PASSING-New England, Biodsoe 15-25-0-267, Indianapolis, Harbaugh 30-28-0-241.

25-0-267. Indianapolis, Harbaugh. 30-38-0-241. RECEIVING.—New England, Coates 4-54, Brisby 3-46. Brown 3-35, Martin 3-34, Jefferson 2-98. Indianapolis, Harrison 9-74. Dawkins 7-81, Stableth 3-35, Bailey 3-25, Dilger 3-15, Faulk 2-22, Warren 2-3, Stutzker 1-6.

San Francisco 0 7 0 8--15 St. Louis 3 8 3 0--12 First Quarter: StL-FG Willdins 40, 9:42. Second Quarter: StL-FG Willdins 49, Second Quarter: StL-FG Wilkins 49, 14:55. SF—Stokes 25 pass from Druckersmiller (Anderson kick), 11:18. StL-FG Wilkins 52, 8:04. Third Quarter: StL.-FG Wilkins 34, 5:34. Fourth Quarter: SF—Heerst 35 rum (Kirby pass from Druckenmiller), 7:50. A—64,630. INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS RUSHING—San Francisco, Hearst 16-22. Kirby 7:25. Flowd 5:21

92, Kirby 7-25, Floyd 5-21, Druckenmiller 5-1. St. Louis, Phillips 23-72, Banks 8-17, Lee 2-8, Moore 1-1, team 1-0. PASSING-San

Druckenmiller 10-28-3-102. St. Louis, Banks 9-24-0-123. Banks 9-24-0-123.
RECEIVING—San Francisco, Jones 3-39, Stokes 3-35, Owens 2-24, Floyd 1-5, Hearst 1-(minus 1). St. Louis, Corwell 3-28, Small 2-54, Lee 2-21, Kennison 1-11, Ross 1-9.
MISSED FIELD GOALS—San Francisco, Anderson 50 (SH)

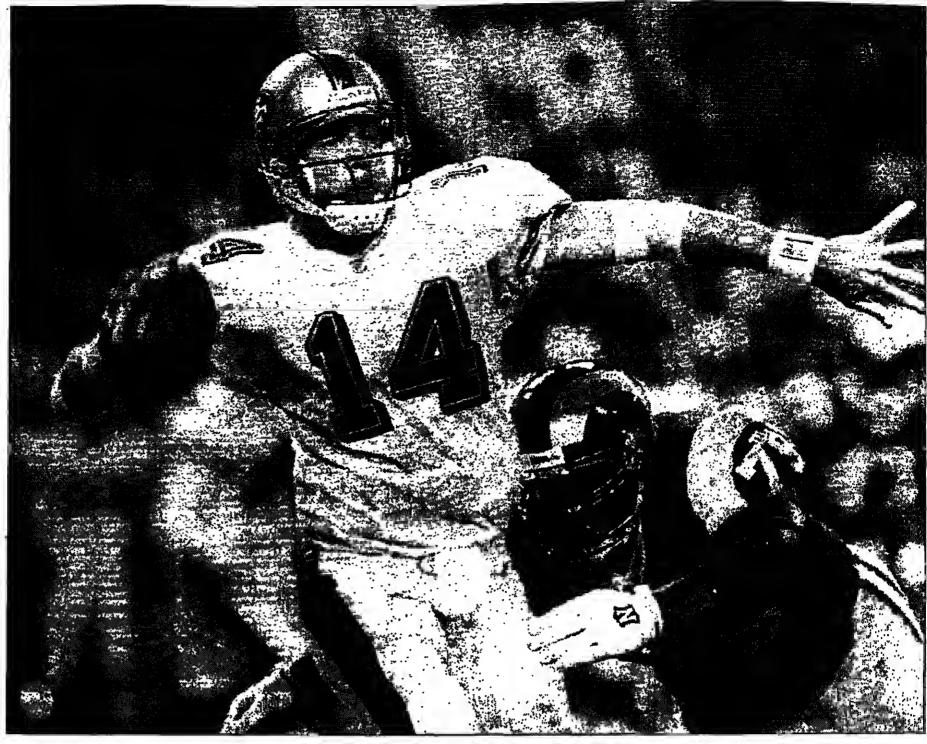
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Arizona 0 7 7 8 3—25
First Ouarter: Dal—FG Curningham 24, 9:18. Dal—FG Curningham 47, 5:11. Second Quarter: Art—McElroy 10 run (Butler kick), 12:51. Dal—FG Curningham 37, 5:00. Dal—Hennings 4 furnble return (Cunningham kick), 3:37. Dal—FG Curningham 34, :04. Third Quarter: Dal—FG Curningham 28, 13:00. Art—Sanders 7 pass from Graham (Butler kick), 1:44. Fourth Quarter: Ari—Carter 1 pass from Graham (Moore pass from Graham), 1:06. Overtime: Ari—FG Butler 20, 8:30. A—71,578. 8:30. A—71.578. INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

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RUSHING—Dallas, E.Smith 19-132,
Sh.Williams 8-43, Aikman 1-5,
Johnston 1-0. Arizona, McErroy 16-53,
Graham 3-7, Centers 3-5, Boule 3-1.
PASSING—Dallas, Aikman 21-39-0171. Arizona, Graham 26-47-0-249.
RECEIVING—Dallas, Sh.Williams 553, Irvin 4-18, Bjornson 3-59, E.Smith
3-11, St.Williams 3-10, Johnston 2-11,
Davis 1-9. Arizona, F.Sanders 7-44,
Moore 6-108, Gedney 4-24, Centers 328, McElroy 3-25, Carter 2-10,
K.Williams 1-10.
MISSED FIELD GOALS—Dallas,
Cunningham 40 (BL).

Tennessee 0 10 3 0 0—13
Miami 0 3 7 3—16
Second Quarter: Mia—FG Mare 23,
9:13. Ten—George 13 run (Del Greco
kick), 3:34. Ten—FG Del Greco 24,
14:45. Third Quarter: Mia—FG Mare
22, 5:27. Ten—FG Del Greco 37, :44.
Fourth Quarter: Mia—FG Mare
12:45. A—64,439.
INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—Tennessee, George 23106, McNair 11-62, R.Thomas 3-26,
Harmon 2—(minus 1), Sanders 1-(minus
8). Miami, Abdul-Jabbar 19-33, Splies
4-18, Parmalee 1-5, Marino 1-(minus
2).

PASSING-Tennessee. McNair 7-14-PASSING—Tennessee, McNeir 7-14-1-109, Miami, Marino 24-43-0-324, RECEIVING—Tennessee, Sanders 3-58, Harmon 1-27, W.Davis 1-11, Wycheck 1-7, R. Thomas 1-6, Miami, McDuffie 8-135, Barnett 5-56, Spikes 3-39, Parmatee 3-38, Abdul-labbar 2-23, Pritchett 1-17, Jordan 1-12, Drawtog 1-4.

Drayton 1-4. MISSED FIELD GOALS—Tennessee, Del Greco 43 (WR). Miami, Mare 25



UNDER FIRE -49ers QB Jim Druckenmiller completes a pass as Rams' Bill Johnson puts on the pressure in 3rd-quarter action. The 49ers won 15-12.

# Eagles upset Packers, 10-9

# Missed FG dooms Green Bay; Cowboys lose to Cardinals in OT

NEW YORK (AP) - Ty Detmer hit Freddie Solomon with 8 2-yard TD pass with just under two minutes remaining and Packers rookie kicker Ryan Longwell missed a 28-yard field goal attempt with 11 seconds left to give the of the defending National Football League champs on Sunday.

The Packers failed to score a touchdown for the first time since October 18, 1992, a span covering 85 regular-season and playoff

"This is an early wake-up call for us," Green Bay coach Mike Holmgreo said. "The offensive futility was the toughest part." Detmer's pass to Solomon with 1:56 remaining put the Eagles ahead by a point. The fourth-down pass capped an 80-yard, 19-play

drive that lasted nine minutes and 22 seconds. The Packers (1-1) still had a chance to win after Bill Schroeder returned the ensuing kickoff to the Green Bay 47 and Brett Favre quickly drove the team to the Eagles' 10. But Longwell, who had made all 12 of his previous field goal attempts during the preseason and regular season, was

wide right. The loss snapped a nine-game winning streak for Green Bay, which opened the season with a 38-24 last Monday night win over Chicago. The Eagles, who lost their opener to the New York Giants 31-17, improved to 1-1.

Dolphins 16, Oilers 13 (OT) Dan Marino rebounded from a poor opening-game performance with his first 300-yard passing day since 1995.

Marino, who passed for only

105 yards against Indianapolis last week, completed 24 of 43 attempts for 324 yards against visiting Tennessee (1-1). The Dolphins (2-0) won it oo rookie Olindo Mare's 29-yard field goal with 12:45 left in OT.

5 23, COWDOYS 22 (O1) Kent Graham overcame boos and three lost fumbles to lead host Arizona to a comeback victory. The Cardinals snapped a 13game losing streak against the Cowboys (1-1) when Kevin Butler's 20-yard field goal attempt in overtime hit the left

upright and weot through. Arizona (1-1) trailed by 15 points in the third quarter, but rallied to force OT on Graham's TD pass to Pat Carter and 2-point con-version pass to Rob Moore with 1:06 left in regulation. 49ers 15, Rams 12

The 49ers (1-1) overcame a shaky showing by rookie QB Jim Druckenmiller to beat the host St. Louis Rams for the 14th straight time. Druckenmiller, filling in for injured Steve Young, was intercepted three times and passed for only 102 yards and one score in his first NFL start. The Rams (1-1) were hurt by four

**DIFFIOVETS** Patriots 31, Colts 6 Drew Bledsoe threw four TD passes for the second straight week as visiting New England

won in a rout Bledsoe, who completed 15 of 25 passes for 267 yards, has thrown TD passes to eight different receivers in the past two

Curtis Martin rushed for 121 yards as the Patriots improved to 2-0 for the first time since 1986.

Bills 28, Jets 22

At East Rutherford, New Jersey, Todd Collins threw three TD passes as Buffalo (1-1) rebounded from an opening loss to hand the Jets (1-1) their 13th straight home defeat. The Bills' defense, led by Aaron Glenn scored on a 96-yard kickoff return for the Jets.

Ravens 23, Bengals 10 Vinny Testaverde threw a pivotal touchdown pass to Eric Green with 9:36 left and host Baltimore avoided another late collapse 10 beat the Bengals (1-1). The Ravens (1-1), who had lost nine of their last 11 games despite holding a second-half lead, took the lead for good on Jay Graham's 5-yard TD run late in the third quarter. Panthers 9, Falcons 6

Steve Benericin downed the ball with one second left and John Kasay followed with his third field goal of the fourth quarter, a 39yarder that lifted visiting Carolina (1-1) over the Falcons (0-2). Both offenses struggled without their starting QBs — Carolina's Kerry. Collins didn't play because of a broken jaw and Atlanta's Chris Chandler was sidelined by a coneussion in the second quarter.

Vikings 27, Bears 24 Brad Johnson and Chris Walsh connected on the winning, 9-yard TD pass with 37 seconds left. Johnson completed 33 of 44 passes for 285 yards, including 7 of 9 on the final 61-yard drive for visiting Minnesota (2-0). The Bears (0-2) had taken a 24-20 lead on Raymont Harris' 59-yard TD run

with 11:52 remaining.
Chargers 20, Saints 6
Jim Everett beat his old team and coach Mike Ditka, the man

who cut him. Everett scaled the tosses to Ed McCaffrey in a game victory for visiting San Diego (1that featured a matchup of aging, 1) with a 21-yard scoriog pass to future Hall of Fame quarterbacks. Freddie Jones with 2:10 left.

**Buccaneers 24, Lions 17** Tampa Bay rookic Warrick Dunn rushed for 130 yards and a star Barry Sanders was shut down for the second straight week. Sanders was held to 20 yards on 10 carries after gaining only 33 yards in the Lions' opener against

Atlanta. The Bucs improved to 2-0 for the first time since 1992. Steelers 14, Redskins 13 Jerome Bettis carried on all but two plays on a 72-yard fourthquarter scoring drive that rallied host Pittsburgh (1-1) past mistake-riddled Washington (1-1). Bettis ran for 134 yards against what was the NFL's worst rushing

Broncos 35, Seahawks 14

defense last season, and accounted for nearly all of Pittsburgh's offense on its two scoring drives.

John Elway threw a pair of TD

18 of 26 passes for 197 yards and two touchdowns. Host Seattle's Warren Moon, 40, was 20 of 33 for 222 yards

The 37-year-old Elway completed

and ooe score. The Broncos improved to 2-0, while the Seahawks fell to 0-2. Jaguars 40, Giants 13

Quarterback Steve Matthews played with poise in his first NFL . start, leading host Jacksonville (2-0) to the highest point total in their three-year history.

Matthews, claimed off waivers last month, completed 23 of 35 for 252 yards and Natrone Means ran for two touchdowns for the Jaguars. Jacksonville's top two quarter-

backs, Mark Brunell and Rob Johnson, are injured.

Last night, Kansas City was at Oakland.

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# Top Scottish-soccer clubs announce league breakaway

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The childs consider that the forms about a separate league run "Our proposal will be good then of such a football league within the SFL for Scottish football as a will be to the henefit of both "But if they are thinking of whole, not just the top its member clobs and the a totally autonomous body clubs," he said in a state-other football clubs in run by the SFA (Scottish ment.

publicly-quoted company, they would have to abide by said in a statement to the line rules of the league from sieck Exchange regarding leaving. he The planned move mirrors warned.

the breakaway of England's He said these included

on the stock exchange. the SVL's management com-SFL secretary Peter Donald mittee on September 18, said he was open to discus aimed to revitalize the

top clubs from the soccer author of two seasons and a establishment in 1992 to set clause that consures their up their own premier kagne. players would become league That move triggered an property if they opt to leave."

The choic took the first step upheaval in the game, with Lex Gold, charmon of the move setting up the new the new league negotiating. Edinburgh's Hiberman club, league by informing the SFL factative television contracts and the proposal, which is of their intention to resign and a string of thus leading expected to be discussed by their membership of the on the stock exchange.

# Goalkeeper Seaman takes over as England captain

LONDON (Reuters) - Arsenal tain for tomorrow's World Cup qualifier against Moldova. Seaman will be only the fourth

goalkeeper to lead his country after Frank Swift was twice captain in 1948, Ray Clemence once against Brazil in 1981 and the evergreen Peter Shilton 15 times between 1981 and 1990.

The experienced 33-year-old, capped 36 times, will also be the fifth captain in 12 matches under England manager Glenn Hoddle.

Seaman said he was surprised to get the nod from Hoddle, who had expressed reservations about goalkeepers as captains, but was ready after captaining Queen's Park Rangers for a year and Arsenal more

"It was great being captain of Arsenal a month ago against Coventry but this is just brilliant,"

"It's going to be very emotional, goalkeeper David Seaman was as the last week has been," he named yesterday as England's cap- added, referring to the death of Princess Diana and her funeral in London on Saturday. Sports Minister Tony Banks has

called for England fans to hold up candles as a mark of respect before the match on Wednesday when the Elton John tribute song "Candle in the Wind" is also likely to be played. Football Association spokesman Steve Double said appropriate mea-

sures were being looked into. Hoddle turned to Seaman for the match at Wembley after other

options were ruled out. First choice Alan Shearer and past captains Tony Adams and Stuart Pearce are all injured. Liverpool midfielder Paul Ince, the only other former captain still in the squad, is suspended.

Sports Editors: Joseph Hoffman and Orl Lewis

# Major League Statistics

(through Friday's Games)

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Baltimore	3.73	1176	518	472	992	10	5
Hew York	3.90	1273	545	465	3	9	4
Toronto	3.95	1261	549	427	974	12	3
Milwaukee	4.19	1224	573	469	863	8	3
Anaheim	4.52	1315	633	<b>530</b>	B85	5	3.
Detroit	4.56	1279	630	482	823	6	3.
Chicago	4.64	1299	630	510	844	7	4
Texas	4.68	1392	648	461	793	7	3
Cleveland	4.73	1298	635	475	872	2	3
Kansas City	4.77	1302	654	440	818	4	2
Seattle	4.97	1310	694	526	52	6	3
Boston	5.04	1389	710	537	854	4	3
Minnesota	5.07	1382	695	440	763	4	2

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	INDIVIDUAL PITCHING Based on 14 decisions						
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Cone NYY	185	149					2.82
Pertitte MYY	214	215					2.98
Alvarez ChW	145	126			_	8	3.03
Key 8al	189				15	В	3.08
Mussina Bal	199	171	47	197	13	6	3.16
Appier KC	205	178	65	166		n	3.24
Erickson 8al	193	184	51	110			3.40
Patterson Tex	62	59	21	58	9	5	3.48
Hentgen Tor	232	219	61	139		9	3.49
Gordon Bos	172		69	145		9	3.54
Radke Min	210	211	44	151	18	8	3.89
Fassero Sea	200			161	14	8	3.91
JMercedes Mil	138		48	70	6	8	3.91
Moyer Sea	164	162		97	15	4	3.94
Nagy Cle	202	222	65	133	4	9	4.01
Blair Det	147	159		68	15	6	4.02
8McDonald Mil		120		110	8	7	4.06
Kamieniecki 8al		154		97	9	5	4.06
Dickson Ana	179	209		102	13	7	4,11
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<b>Tewksbury Min</b>	136	164		72	5	II	4.17
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<b>WWilliams Tor</b>	169	172	56	104	-	B	4.46
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Moelder Det	147	165	52	87	9	10	4.63
Wakefield Bos	168	_	71	129	9	15	4.66
Olivares Sea	161	171	76	96	6	9	4.81
Watson Ana	172	187	67	119	11	9	4.85
Burkett Tex	123	208	24	108	7	IJ	4.86
Baldwin ChW	177	171	78	<b>J26</b>	Ш	13	4.87
Eldred Mil	176	179	80	10	12	12	4.99
Prieto Oak	125	155	70	90	6	8	5.04
KHill Ana	159	181	87	88	7	IJ	5.14
Belcher KC	188	221	56	105	12	12	5.22
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Anaheim	4884	726	1329	135	678	27
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Chicago	4773	67 I	1298	137	630	27
<b>Baltimare</b>	4767	706	1281	166	679	20
Kansas City	4787	647	1265	136	610	26
Milwaukee	4696	602	1230	122	57 I	26
Detroit	4710	685	1220	156	65I	25
Dakland	4837	661	1244	180	617	.25
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## INDIVIDUAL BATTING

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FThomas ChW	458	97	162	30	108 .354
Jefferson Bos	407	67	130	13	61 .339
Justice Cle	409	76	138	30	80 <i>3</i> 37
BeWilliams NYY	430	92	143	18	76 .333
EMartinez Sea	488		161	25	99 .330
SAlomar Cle	40I	54	132	17	72 329
Greer Tex	525	95	172	23	78 .320
Ramirez Cle	466	84	153	24	75 .328
WClark Tex	393	56	128	12	51 326
Stairs Oak	291	82	94	26	68 323
MVaughn Bos	450	82	144	31	84 320
O'Neil NYY	485	77	155	18	105 .320
O'Leary Bos	426	55	135	13	72 317
hValentin Bos	510	89	163	16	73 315
Rodriguez Tex		83	163	15	62 312
Roberts Cle	357	48	iii	ž	37 311
Garciaparra Bos		108	184	žs	83 310
Griffey Jr Sea	533	109	165	49	132 .310
Offerman KC	350	52	107	ž	32 306
Erstad Ana	513	93	156	14	69 304
Molitor Min	473	54	144	iò	84 304
Cora Sea	513	93	155	9	50 302
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Salmon Ana	503	80	150	28	112 <i>.29</i> 8
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CRipken Bal	540	70	157	16	80 291
Cirillo Mal	503	66	146	8	74 .290
Baines Bal	404	48	117	14	40 <i>-2</i> 90
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Berroa Bal	484	79	140	23	82 <b>.289</b>
Giambi Oak	441	58	127	17	67 <b>.288</b>
Bell KC	<b>S07</b>	78	146	20	82 288
Lorecta Mil	362	47	104	5	42 287
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Los Angeles	4783	638	1285	147	605	.268
Hew York	4725	661	1261	126	63 I	266
Chicago	4800	603	1261	109	56I	262
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San Francisco	4771	A3	1236	152	647	.259
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St. Louis	4725	575	1212	114	542	.256
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Philadelphia	4625	564	1180	99	526	.255
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Piazza LA	472	89	168		100	35
Lofton Atl		83			45	.34
Joyner SD	403		137		76	.34
Alfonzo NYM	436	70	142	-	66	.32
MaGrace ChC	484		157		66	32
Galarraga Col	524	103			124	317
<b>Bichette Col</b>	494		154		103	31
Mondesi LA	238	84	166	26	79	.30
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Slauser Atl	469	78	44	15	64	.30
Castilla Col	536	85	164		99	30
Glanville Ch	416		127		31	30
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Mueller SF	320	43	94	7	40	29
Snow SF	464	70	136	25	93	.29
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Butler LA	323	49	94	Ö	16	29
Kendall Pit	428		124	ĭ	44	29
Bonds SF	469	ĬÕI	136	32	83	29
Dunston Pit	435	62	126	12	47	29
Rolen Phi	474	76	137	17	80	28
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Altartio Pit	374			10		.28
Olerud NYM	468	78	134		79	286
Lopez Atl	365	47	104		-61	285
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Montreal	4.16	1158	576	478	982	14	33	
Pittsburgh	4.38	1337	611	503	938	8	37	
Chicago	4.44	1283	617	514	924	3	32	
San Francisc		1311	620	498	877	8	40	
Cincinnati	4.47	1199	617	490	Ш	7	38	
San Diego	4.91	1389	693	523	920	2	39	
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### Griffey Home Run Watch

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1997 HRs - 50. Games remaining - 19. Seattle's next game Last night at Kansas City. Opposing starting pitcher - Jim Pittsley .... Griffey career vs. Pittsley - 0 HRs, 4 at-bats.

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# Braves' Neagle becomes NL's 1st 20-game winner

McGwire raps 48th; AL: Clemens cops 21st on 2-hitter, Griffey whacks 50th and Yankees finally top O's

SAN DIEGO (AP) - Denny Neagle became the National League's first 20-game winner, pitching three-hit ball for seven innings as Atlanta beat the San Diego Padres 4-0 on Sunday

Neagle (20-3) joined Roger Clemens, who earned his 21 st victory for the American League's Toronto Blue Jays earlier in the day, as the top winners in Major League Baseball.
Neagle won his fourth straight

start, striking out six and walking three. The left-hander's previous best wio total was 16 last season. Reds 6, Pirates 3

Dave Burba retired the last 17 batters he faced, setting up his third win over Pittsburgh this season, and Jon Nunnally drove in three runs as Cincinnati rallied for

a home victory. Burba (8-10) allowed only two runs on four first-inning hits and left the game after his right hand was grazed by a pitch in the sixth inning. The right-hander is 5-0 in

the Reds and has dropped 10 of its last 14 overall, wasting a chance to catch Houston for the NL

Rockies 7, Cardinals 4
Ellis Burks and Todd Helton had RBI hits that triggered a five-run burst in the eighth inning and led Colorado to a home win.

Mark McGwire hit his 48th home run of the season, and 14th for St. Louis, in the first inning. The Cardinals scored twice in the ninth, hut McGwire hit a weak grounder to pitcher Jerry Dipoto for the final out as the Rockies won for the 11th time in 12 games. Mets 9, Cubs 2

Bobby Jones gave up four hits over seven shutout innings and Butch Huskey hit his third homer in three games, leading New York to a road win.

Huskey, extending his hitting streak to 15 games, hit his 21st homer leading off a three-run fifth inning and added an RBI single in the eighth for the Mets, who have won seven of their last 10 games. Jones (14-8) improved to 8-1 in his career against the Cubs, striking out four and walking three.

Rico Brogna hit a tiebreaking home run with two outs in the eighth inning and visiting Philadelphia won for the sixth time in seven games.

With the game tied at 1, Brogna hit a 2-2 pitch from Anthony Telford (4-5) for his 18th home run. Rookie Ryan Karp (1-0) got two outs for his first major league win. Ricky Bottalico pitched the ninth for his 28th save in 35 chances.

Giants 5, Astros 1 Kirk Rueter pitched 6% strong innings and host San Francisco capitalized on eight walks by Darryl Kile.

The Astros, who have lost three in a row and nine of 11, lead Pittsburgh hy 2½ games in the National League Central. The Giants are two games behind Los Angeles in the NL

West Kile (17-6) lost his third straight start, lasting just five-plus innings. He tied a career high for walks he walked seven in the first three innings - and also hit e batter.

Dodgers 9, Marlins 5 Todd Zeile hit a grand slam and Mike Piazza had three hits, including two RBI singles for host Los

The Marlins' third straight loss, combined with Atlanta's 4-0 win over San Diego, dropped them five games behind the Braves in

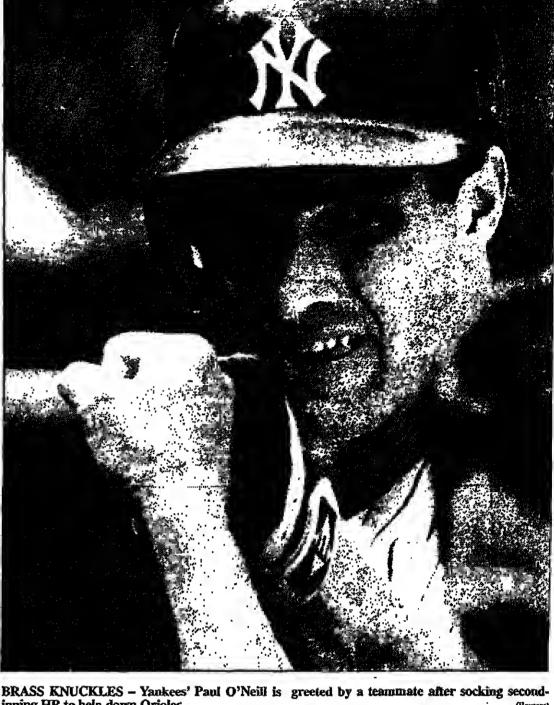
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Lieberthat; Hermanson, Tellord (7),
Kine (9) and Flotcher.W—Karp, 1-0.
L—Tellord, 4-5, Sv—Bottalico (28).
HR—Philadelphia, Brogna (18).

Pittsburgh 200 000 001—3 8 1 Cincinnati 000 023 01x—6 11 0 Cooke, Silva (5), Peters [8), Christiansen (7) and Kendall; Burba, Belinda (7), Schourek (9), Shaw (9) and J.Oliver.W—Burba, 8-10. L—Silva, 1-1. Sv—Shaw (33). HR—Cincinnati, Nunnally (8).

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Trachsel, 6-11, HRs—New York, Gilkey
(15), Huskey (21).

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Louis, McGwire (14), Lankford (26).

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inning HR to help down Orioles.

the NL East race.

Tom Candiotti (10-5), who at 40 is the major leagues' second-oldest starter, gave up five runs on four hits in 6% innings, while tying a season high with seven strikeouts and walking four.

The Dodgers jumped out to a 5-0 lead in the first inning against Tony Saunders (3-6), highlighted by Zeile's career-high 26th homer and the Dodgers' first grand slam of the season.

**AMERICAN LEAGUE** Twins 9, Mariners 6

Ken Griffey Jr. hit his career-high 50th home run, marking the 22nd time the mark has been reached in Major League Basehall history, but his visiting Seattle Mariners lost.

Griffey is 11 homers short of matching Roger Maris' record of 61 in 1961, with 19 games remain-

Griffey, who had 49 home runs last year, became the 15th different player to hit 50 homers. Leading the majors in homers, Griffey connected for a two-run drive in the fourth inning against Bob Tewksbury (6-11).

Blue Jays 4, Rangers 0 Roger Clemens pitched a twohitter, tying Jack Morris' Toronto clnh record for wins in a season with his 21st.

Clemens (21-5) struck out 14,

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(8) and C.Johnson; Candiotti, Hall (7),
Guthrie (7), Osuna (8), To.Worrell (9)
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Saunders, 3-6, HRs.—Horida, DWhite (3). Los Angeles, Zelle (26). **AMERICAN LEAGUE** 

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Corsi (6), Mahay (8), Gordon (9) and
Haselman, W—B.Henry, 6-2. L—
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Jh.Valentin 2 (18), Cordero (17),
O'Leary (14), Haselman (5), Frye (3).

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(8), Lloyd (9) and Posada. W—
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York, Raines (2), O'Nelli (19).

his 12th time this seasoo with 10 or more strikeouts and the 80th in his career. He didn't walk anyone in his third shutout of the season and 41st of his career, lowering his ERA to a league-best 1.85.

The only hits off Clemens were singles by Juan Gonzalez in the fourth and Rusty Greer in the

Angels 5, Tigers 4 (15) Anaheim ended a five-game losing streak, when Tony Phillips doubled and scored on Robert Eenhorn's sacrifice fly. The win pulled visiting Anaheim

within four games of Seattle in the American League West. Anaheim is six games behind the New York Yankees in the wild-card race. The teams combined for 33

strikeouts, including 21 in extra innings, tying the 1997 major league mark for the most strikeouts in a game.

Yankees 10, Orioles 3 Kenny Rogers got his first win in more than a month and host New York used four home runs to beat Baltimore for the first time this season.

New York had dropped its first seven games to Baltimore in 1997, a radical switch from last year wheo the Yankees went 10-3 vs. the Orioles in the regular season and defeated them in five games in the playoffs.

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T.J.Mathews (6) and Molina; Rosado.
Service (4). Carrasco (6), Olson (8),
Pichardo (9) and Mi.Sweeney. WLudwick 1-1. L.—Rosado 9-12. HRs—
Kansas City, Y.Benitez (7), Dye (6).

American League East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Baltimore	88	52	.629	_
New York	80	61	567	81/
Boston	69	74	.483	20%
Detroit	68	74	.479	21
Toronto	68	74	.479	21
Central Div	ision			
Cleveland	75	63	543	_
Milwankee	71	70	504	5%
Chicago	69	73	.486	8
Minnesota	58	83	.411	1814
Kansas City	57	83	.407	19
West Divisi	ion			••
Seattle	79	64	<b>5</b> 57	_
Anaheim	75	68	.524	4
Texas	67	76	469	17

Rogers (6-6) gave up one run and six hits in 5% innings to snap the Yankees' six-game losing streak.

Paul O'Neill and Jorge Posada hit two-run home runs off Mike Mussina (13-7). Bernie Williams and Tim Raines also homered. Red Sox 11, Brewers 2

Troy O'Leary hit his first career grand slam, John Valentin homered twice and Bill Haselman, Jeff Frye and Wilfredo Cordero also homered for host Boston. The Red Sox tied a season-high

with six home runs and avoided elimination in the AL East for the second consecutive day.
Athletics 9, Royals 4

Eric Ludwick earned his first major league win and visiting Oakland scored nine runs for the third straight game. Jason Giambi recorded his sev-

enth consecutive multi-hit game for the A's. Ernie Young, who went 3-for-4 and scored three times, hit an RBI single during a six-run fourth inning against Jose Rosado (9-12). Indians 5, White Sox 2

Matt Williams extended his career-high hitting streak to 23 games, and Cleveland held Albert Belle hitless in his second homecoming series as host Cleveland completed a threegame sweep.

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GRAPEVINE

By GREER FAY CASHMAN

The voice of experience. Speaking to Wumen for Women in Politics, Yehudit Huebner, deputy mayor of Jerusalem and charperson of the municipal Committee for the Advancement of Women, was asked how more women could get into the city council. "Change sex," was her reply.

PRIME MINISTER Binyamin Netanyahu and Israel's ambassador to Egypt Zvi Mazel will have an opportunity to discuss matters affecting Israeli-Egyptian relations if their paths cross in Bucharest when the two visit Rumania later this month. Mazel, a former ambassador to the country, will be renewing some of his old contacts, but the real reason for his visit is the launching of a Romanian edicion of one of his wife's novels. Michelle Mazel specializes in spy fiction set against the backdrop of the Middle

PAINTING is the forte of Sara Toledano, daughter of former Chief Rabhi and Shas mentor Ovadia Yosef. Her favorite theme? Jerusalem. An exhibition of Toledano's works opened last week at the Sieff Community Center in the capital's Beit Hakerem neighborhood.

ALTHOUGH he suffered relatively light injuries in last Thursday's bombing in the Ben Yehuda mall, there has been little rest for native Jerusalemite Yoram Kaufman, now a resident of Tel Aviv. Kanfman, who was hospitalized



Yuval Rabin: a father again (Moshc Shai)

with his wife Orn and six-monthold daughter Tamar at Bikur Holim hospital, has been getting an average of one phone call every two minutes. Relatives and friends who saw the family on television, or read about them in the newspapers, have been calling Kaufman's cellular phone and the hospital switchboard almost non-stop. Kaufman has been heartened by how much people care - but a little let-up might enable him to catch up on some lost sleep.

VISITORS to Bikur Holim early Friday afternoon were stopped by security guards and asked where they were going. Anyone visiting someone hurt in the bomh blast was asked to make the visit short. Why? Because Sara Netanyahu was expected, and security didn't want anyone other than patients and hospital staff around.

MEDIA reports confirming rumors that Sara Netanyahu is expecting are resurfacing, though there is some dispute over how advanced her pregnancy is. Netanyahu's somewhat fuller figure seems to indicate that she is indeed getting ready to bring her third child into the world. Does that mean she'll stop accompany-



Mel Gibson: still smoking

ing her husband on trips abroad or is he going to curtail his trips until after the hirth?

ANOTHER pregnancy which excited media comment was that of Tali Rabin who, after six months of marriage, presented husband Yuval with a new addition to the family. Grandma Leah Rabin, whose other three grandchildren are all grown up, is reportedly delighted with her new baby granddaughter.

LABOR MK Ophir Pines, usually quick to react publicly to any political development, has been remarkably silent of late. The reason: He's busy completing his MA thesis on the Rabin assassination. Will any new information emerge?



# Men in bloc 'Don't interrupt me!'

BY RUTHER BLUM

I use English and Hebrew

equally in my work, but this only

is in Hebrew. Although my moth-er tongue is English, I am fluent in Hebrew and talk ot normal

speed. At first when I am inter-

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We'll have to wait and see.

WHEN Bruce Helft returns from Los Angeles next month, his friends will discover that there is literally another string to his bow. The former Californian, a senior applications designer in medical software who has also worked in fashion and architecture, has decided to remain in Israel permanently after living here for nearly three vears. He went to the US to pick up furniture and household goods he left in storage. Helft is also a keen archer, and he's making sure his long-bow and other archery equipment are included in the container be's shipping to Israel.

ART lovers, diplomats and interreligious affairs activists gathered in Jerusalem at the home of noted art collector and philanthropist Ayala Sacks Abramov last week. They

Ophir Pines studying the assas-

sination of Rabin (Isaac Harari)

were there to witness the presenta-

tion by the Israel Colloquium of the

first Zalman S. Abramov award in

memory of Ayala's husband, who died six months ago. The recipient

was Barukh Binah, who has just

completed a tour of doty at the

Israeli Embassy in Washington, first as a congressional liaison, then as head of the embassy's depart-

ment for Public and Interreligious Affairs. The Israel Colloquium, an

educational nonprofit organization

promoting interreligious and inter-

community understanding, select-

ed the seventh-generation Israeli

for his contribution to interreli-

gious relations while serving Israel

io the US. A nephew of celebrated artist Nahum Gutman, Binah was

impressed by the magnificent works of art that grace the

Abramov residence. The signatory to the citation, presented to Binah hy Dr. Kitty Cohen, was Jacques

Torczyner, a long-time friend of

Zalman Abramov and a brother of Harry Torczyner, the New York

art collector and critic who, like

Ayala Ahramov, is devoted to

Jerusalem and the Israel Museum.

ASKED by America's first lady to

stop smoking in movies because such conduct sets a bad example, Mel Gibson replied that he was

prepared to stop smoking when

WHEN you're a star, you can afford idiosyncrasies. Cher insists that

every hotel she stays at be equipped with three trampolines - one for her-

self, one for her make-up artist, and

one for the trainer who keeps her in

shape, But Cher's demands are mild

compared to those of actress Jane

Sevinour. She reportedly doesn't

mind drinking American water but will only wash in London tainwater, specially flown in.

Cher: Room service, where's

my trampoline?

the Clintons stop lying.



Yehudit Huebner: boosting

son has finished before talking ogain, but when the interruptions pleasant. know what to do.



continue. I lose control and get very ongry. I start shouting to be As a result, I have had some very loud, explosive arguments. This upsets me, as the atmosphere at work is usually very I know this is not a good way to handle the situation, but I don't

> I don't have this problem with family or friends, only at work. Please help me find a solution instead of shouting or quarreling. Hebrew Hysterical Beersheba Dear HH,

The key to examining this problem is your claim of suffer-

ing from a lack of control when dealing with certain people. In this case, the people with whom you have trouble remaining in control are Hebrew speakers.

According to your description, you do oot have this problem with family, friends, or with English-speaking colleagues at wurk. Yet not being alluwed to finish a sentence when conversing in Hebrew arouses your ire to the extent that you engage in shouting matches, which leave ynn feeling guilty over having

> "Two things are clear. You cannot 'educate' an entire population in telephone etfquette. The second is that the only way to affect the behavior of others is by aftering your own."

hampered a nurmally pleasant atmosphere. Before tackling the problem,

you must contemplate the way in which you are a participant in this dynamic, and not just a victim. Perhaps in some uncooscious way, you leave yourself

open to the interruptions - something you do not do with Englishspeakers, Perhaps you are fraught with some form of anxiety - regardless of your fluency in Hebrew - over being at a "disadvantage" when speaking in a language other than your mother tongue. This kind of anxiety could be held over from a time when you were far less fluent in the language.

Or maybe you feel at a different kind of "disadvantage" when speaking to a certain kind of Hebrew speaker on the phone, which has to do more with a cultural difference than a language barrier. Rather than removing the barrier through other means, you resort to quarreling - a form of frustration.

Two things are clear. The first is that you cannut "educate" an entire population in telephone enquette. The second is that the only way to affect the behavior of others is by altering your own. Before your next such conversation, take a few deep breaths and force yourself to remain silent -

the opposite of yelling - as long as the other party is speaking. At every interruption, keep your own words at bay. Keep your voice on a quiet, even keel. I guarantee you the other party will begin to feel awkward, without necessarily understanding why. Then, every time you are allowed the floor, speak with quiet anthority. You'd be surprised how effective this can be. Even in Israel.

Letters should be addressed to: Dear Ruthie, POB 81, 91000 Jerusalem. Por B-mail: edi-

# Paging mom

s of September, Japanese parents no longer have to shout when they want their ehildren to come in for dinner they can page them.

NTT Mobile Communications

Network Inc (NTT DoCoMo) introduced an inexpensive paging service for communications between parents and children.

The new service, which hit the Japanese market on September 1. is called Kid's Bell. The pagers (NIS 116), which is 1,000 yen (NIS 28) lower than the price for NTT DoCoMo's cheapest model currently on the market.

Among the messages mothers can send by punching in a key code are "I am coming to pick you op at school" and "It's time for dinner," while children can. respond with "Sorry, I can't make it" or "Pick me up at the train station," The basic monthly fee for the service is between 780 yen have a unit price of 3,980 yen and 1,300 yen (NIS 23-NIS 38),

depending on the area for which the pager will be active. Fifty messages a month are included in the hasie price.

The pagers come in eolors described by the company as "milky blue" for boys and "milky pink" for girls. The new pager service will further spread mobile telecommunications among schoolchildren in Japan, where an ever-increasing number of youngsters pack cell phones and pagers in their school bags.

Some 50 fragments of medieval manuscripts are now at the Israel Museum. Sounds dull? Well, they form one of the most exciting and moving exhibitions I have ever seen.

Meir Ronnen The Jerusalem Post

# THE CAIRO GENIZA SEMINAR



In 1896 at the Ben Ezra Synagogue in the Fustat area of old Cairo, Prof. Solomon Schechter of Cambridge University revealed to the world the staggering contents of its Geniza. 140,000 fragments were given to the Cambridge University for study. In the whole history of Judaic studies there has never been a more dramatic event than the discovery of these ancient documents. Poetry, prayers, accounts of journeys, files, tens of thousands of handwritten documents, some signed by the Rambam himself, and much more. A hundred years have passed and still not all the material has been

studied. Now a selection on loan from Cambridge is on view in Jerusalem. It presents a vivid picture of the spiritual - and not so spiritual - mores and business dealings of a medieval Jewish community.

Shorashim and The Jerusalem Post Travel Club invite you to a weekend seminar with the experts. Prof. Stefan Reif, Head of the Archive, Cambridge University, and Prof. Mordechai Akiva Friedman, Jewish Culture in Moslem Lands and Cairo Geniza Studies, Tel Aviv University.

DATE: AT:

Friday and Saturday, 19-20 September Holiday Inn, Crowne Plaza, Jerusalem.

PRICE:

NIS 670 per person in double room, half board (Shabbat dinner and breakfast), three lectures, tour of the exhibition at the Israel Museum, and use of hotel facilities.

SHORASHIM, POB 7588, 14 Rehov Abarbanel, Jerusalem 91074, Tel. 02-5666231 (9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.) Ask for Michal, Vered or Varda.

# The end of a fairy tale

Home Front

Thy in the world am 1 weeping over the death of a spoiled socialite?" pondered one of my close friends recently. Like many of us, she was glued to the endless television and newspaper coverage of the death of Princess Diana. She was closely following the initial shock, the pointing of fingers of hlame for the accident that to live with an all-business mar-

killed her - at her driver, at the paparazzi who hounded her and the huge international outpouring of grief. And she was doing so without quite understanding exactly why it bothered her so

Hers was a common reaction. Diana's passing hit me and many of my friends, among them the most cynical and hard-boiled of jour-

nalists, much harder than we would have expected. Why was this? Obviously, none of us knew her personally — it was not like the death of a friend or a close relative, or a neighbor. It didn't affect our lives in the way the assassination of a political leader like John Kennedy or Yitzhak Rabin had, influencing the political direction of our nation. It certainly wasn't patriotism, or the sense of identification we Israelis feel when a soldier falls or a fellow citizen is killed in a terror attack. So why the deep sadness, the pain that goes beyood that triggered by any confrontation with mortality?

Much of this reaction is generational. Young adolts today have no recollection of the premature deaths of icons like Marilyn Monroe, and we were children wheo John Lennon was shot. This is, for os, the first death of a public figure in her thirties. But there is more. Diana was not just a celebrity, she was someone many of us felt we knew intimately, and whom we consciously or subconsciously measured ourselves against.

Many of us remember where we were in 1981, when we watched the pageantry of the royal wedding, as the radiant Diana walked down the aisle and endearingly bumbled her new husband's name in the wedding vows.

With a mixture of eavy and disdain we watched the well-bred nursery-school teacher step into a gilded cage where she would pre- thing to a fairy princess that sumably have everything we we'll ever experience. And now, dreamed of when we heard fairy we'll never know how the story tales as children: a castle, a prince, ends.

gorgeous children, lots of beautiful clothes, and the adoration of the British people and the world.

As the years passed we learned that the girl who seemed to have everything lacked what was most important — her husband's love, respect, and fidelity. That was a life she wouldn't accept. Clearly Charles would have been ready

riage. Diana wasn't. She gave up the chance to be a queen in exchange for the right to be happy, and fled her gilded cage. The painful chuice between choosing a life that is restricted hut secure, or liberating but frightening, is familiar to us all. Diana took the lonelier, hraver path.

Allison Kaplan Sommer And so we saw her struggle to find an identity during and after her divorce, watched her display of pathos when she was interviewed by the BBC, and marveled at the irony that this woman whom the world worshiped, seemed so sad.

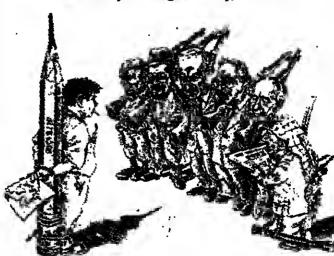
Lately, miraculously, she seemed to be reborn, literally shedding her old skin by selling off pieces of her wardrobe and contributing the money to charity, and going around the world doing charity work. Then came her romance with Dodi, a man who seemed to be playing Aristotle Onassis to her Jackie Kennedy.

One wonders how their involvement would have turned out. Clearly, in choosing a Mediterranean playboy with questionable connections, she was trying to get as far away from stodgy British Prince Charles as possible. It might not have been the wisest choice, but Diana seemed committed to pursuing happiness and this round, tanned, smiling man seemed to be making her happy.

Along every step of the way of Diana's journey, we were there, watching her, reading about her, commenting oo and often criticizing her choices, identifying with her in the roles she played in her life, that often paralleled ours: an innocent young girl, a newlywed, a frustrated wife, a dedicated mother, a confused divorcee, and a maturing woman. But more than anything, we were following the story of the closest

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Rose." She makes no attempt to copy Piaf but imbues the song with

Rothberg's husband, Ilan Carmi, wrote the linking patter between the songs. He's also the show's

director, conceding that "it was a

little difficult in the beginning

because our personal relationship

got in the way; but after a while, Orna began to trust me profession-

ally and then everything went

The couple have been together

since they met at the Ramat Gan Beit Zvi

drama school in 1980.

They have a seven-year-

old daughter, Yuval, so

named "because in

Hebrew 'yuval' is both a

streamlet and the name of the first recorded

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The combination of

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# **NEWS**

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### Eyes on the ACUM prize

ACUM (Israel Composers and Publishers Association) has announced a partial list of prizewinners for 1997. Categories include literature, pop and serious music, and No. I foreign song. The awards ceremony will take place at the Tel Aviv Duhl Auditorium on December 9.

NIS 300,000 in prize money will be divided among 14 winners named in 13 categories. The four Judges Prizes, Avidous Prize, videoclip and foreign song winners have yet to be announced. The Wilensky Song of the Year award went to Ehud Banai for his "Mahari Na" ("Please Hurry"); the Zeira
Composer of the Year was awarded to light-music composer
Ronit Shahar, and Aharon Harlap took the honors for his clarinet concerto in the Anonymous Submission category.

Among the literary awards, the Anonymous Screenplay/Play prize went to Omri Yavin and Amos Ever-Hadani for their screenplay Two Chinese, while the Assault ("Love Lives"), to Zroya Shalev for her novel Hayei Ahava ("Love Lives"), Helen Kaye

### **Clutching the Klatchkin prize**

Hahimah actor Dov Reiser and Cameri actress Sandra Sadeh are joint recipients of the seventh Klatchkin Theater Prize awarded to actors at the height of their career and are identified with the theaters where they work. Both Reiser and Sadeh have a string of leading roles to their credit. "Any cast with which they are associated benefits from their professionalism and warmth," says the citation. Each will receive NIS 6,000.

The Klatchkin Creative Artist Prize and the George and Janet Jaffin Fine Arts Prize went, respectively, to Yigal Shem Tov, head of the video department at the Jerusalem Bezalel Academy. and 10 sculptor Simion Bello Fainaru and painter Michael Sgan-Cohen, who share NIS 14,000.

Shem Tov, described as a superb photographer and inspiring teacher, receives NIS 11,000. Bello Fainaru's work establishes him "as an enthralling artist with a singular voice," while Sgan-Cohen's paintings are cited as "a contemporary visual commentary" on our Jewish beritage.

## A lesson in accountability at Beit Lessin

The Beit Lessin production of Arafel ("Fog") has pre-sold a precedent-setting 192 shows, and ticket sales have already started for 1999. Of these, 100 performances will be in Tel Aviv, the rest at various venues across the country. Tickets will be available to the theaters' subscribers and the general public. Written by Moti Golan and directed by Shmuel Hasfari, the drama tackles the thorny question of accountability when disasters occur, in this case the missile accident at the Tze elim army hase in which six Israeli soldiers were killed.

### **Opera Towers annexes Tower Records**

Tower Records recently opened a classical music annex on the second floor of the prestigious Opera Towers, the very locale (Allenby St. by the sea) where the former Israeli Opera performed nightly for many years. Notwithstanding the classical section of the Jerusalem Tower Records, this new Tel Aviv annex is the only purely classical music disc store in the country, offering a wide selection of literature, videos, and CDs,

including some labels not found in other local music stores. Plans are afootto inaugurate a series of concerts at the Towers. Michael Ajzenstadt



Gersh Geler's sax band hit the right notes at the Israeli Center in Moscow in honor of Israel's 50th birthday.

Ma'ayan Smith, soloist of the Jerusalem Conservatory Saxophone Band, directed by Gersh Geler, won second prize in the Crystal Notes competition in Moscow, which concluded on August 31.

This young musicians' light music competition was inaugurated in honor of the 850th anniversary of the founding of the city of Moscow. Young musicians from over 30 countries competed in three categories: saxophone, piano, and light music. Geler's sax band performed at the grand finale of the competition. They gave an additional concert the following day at the Israeli Center in Moscow, celebrating the 50th birthday of the State of

The concert was filmed by Russian television and will be broadcast shortly. Dates and venues for the awards ceremonies Michael Ajzenstadt

# Operatic workshop for children

The Jerusalem Children and Youth Opera Workshop opens another year of activities, offering children (ages 9-16) a varied program of voice and operatic singing, acting, movement, visual arts, creative writing and puppet theater.

For three hours twice a week, children will focus on enhancing their artistic talents in relation to the world of opera. The workshop, in operation for 10 years, is directed by Judith Paull-Litoff and Sara Hirsh, with Steven Hornstein as music adviser. For information, call (02) 679-5280 or (02) 673-1558.

Michael Ajzenstadt

### IN TUNE



Still post-punk? Morrissey's 'Maladjusted' is the sound of a well-adjusted survivor.

# Morrissey: The legend continues

By DAYID BRINN

For most of the 1990s, Morrissey has faced the insurmountable task of trying to compete with one of the best bands the 1980s produced -The Smiths. As vocalist and lyricist for the highly acclaimed post-punk British quartet. Morrissey became the spokesman for disaffected youth with his literate, witty and sensitive lyrics and intense, dramatic

delivery. Since the hand's breakup, Morrissey has clearly missed his main foil, guitarist Johnny Marr. Despite keeping to his high lyrical standard, the music has suffered. When he's meshed with a sympathetic collaborator, as with Mick Ronson on 1992's Your Arsenal, the results have been nearly as spectacular as The

In "Maladjusted," Morrissey is working with essentially the same hand for the third time. He seems to have found a comfortable support group. With veteran producer Steve Lillywhite (U2) at the helm, he's created his most cohesive batch of songs since Your Arsenal.

While the title tune is a lumberdinosaur dominated by Lillywhite's penchant for over-

THEATER REVIEW

"MALADJUSTED" MOTTISSEY

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A MEDIO VIVIR-RICKY MARTIN (NMC)

the-top percussion, Morrissey wrestles control for the rest of the album, which alternates between guitar-based mid-tempo rockers and morose hallads, the likes of which made his legend.

What strings everything together is Morrissey's distinctive vocal delivery and wry, hiting lyrics. Where else could you find couplets like "Fnifill me, or else kill me" and "I don't get along with myself, and I'm not too keen on anyone else"? Rest assured his dour outlook on life hasn't improved since The Smiths.

Neither groundhreaking nor innovative, "Maladjusted" is the sound of a well-adjusted sur-

VISION II - Spirit of Rumi is a first-class project by Graeme Revell and Roger Mason, a New

Zealander and an Australian who have put the poems of 12th-century Moslem mystic Rumi to music, with the help of a globetrotting cast of musicians.

It intuitively blends East and West, with contributions from world-music aficionados such as Pakistani Nusrat Fatch Ali Khan. our own Abinoam Nini, and American folk-rocker Lori Carson.

This is the music you'd expect to hear on a voyage with Jacques Cousteau - fresh, pure, joyous and eye-opening.

YOU can know everything you need to know about Ricky Martin's latest alhum, A Medio Vivir, from its cover: a shot of the General Hospital TV idol in a pensive mood with his long hlond locks flowing seductively over his eyes.

This is schmaltz with a Latin beat, sung in Martin's nondescript baritone. The hit "Maria" is included, as are 11 other songs, ranging from crooning Julio Iglesias-style ballads to South American rumbas.

But his teenage female fans aren't huying this for his voice as much for his good looks. And there's enough of that to go around to make this a million

# Songs of the Yiddish soul

By HELEN KAYE

If it weren't for her parents, says Orna Rothberg, there'd be no Gefilte Fish, the hybrid Yiddish/Hebrew cabaret that opens tomorrow at the Habimah Heineken Club.

Rothberg grew up hearing Yiddish. Her parents, both Holocaust survivors, "never spoke it to us, but they talked to each other in Yiddish. So that language reminds me of my mother, who'd tell me every morning, 'You're the only thing I have in the world." Not quite true, as she must have

said that to each of her three daughters. "Of course we were embarrassed as children that our parents weren't from here, but we're more connected to Eastern Europe than we realized. My eldest sister, Tova, received an Oxford degree to teach Yiddish. She'll teach Yiddish in London, and here am I, at 38, doing a

Yiddish evening."
Rothberg shares with the audience the Yiddish/Israeli culture that nurtured, exasperated, angered, delighted and ultimately formed her. The songs are a mixture, too. There are the original Yiddish cabaret and theater songs, such as the jaunty title song, "A Bissele Mezimmen," or the tender "Don't Forget Me," which Rothberg considers the loveliest Yiddish ballad.

These are combined with Yiddish translations of songs like the Weill/Brecht "Surabaya Johnnie," the '70s pop hit "Itsy-Bitsy" (teeny-weeny yellow polka-dot bikini), and Piaf's "La Vie en Rose.

"Not too many people see Yiddish as a beautiful, sensual and funny language," says Rothberg of the translations. "I wanted to see if they'd work - and they do." They do, for sure. Rothberg's

Orna Rothberg

Rothberg is a fine (and underrated) character actress of chameleon ability, who has no intention of quitting the repertory stage.

But "singing is a need," she says simply, "even though I haven't

thberg Rothberg is currently at Habimah, where she is performing in The Good Soldier Schweik. She made her cabaret debut at the Cameri theater is when almost harmyn a cult piece.

in what almost became a cult piece

called Hey Rimono.

done anything with it for years. There are reasons, but that's not the point. Now is right for me." Gefilte Fish, then, results from

the confluence of Yiddish and singing, which triggers a memory. Her parents love to sing. "One of the first things they did after the war was join a choir," says Rothberg. "On one of their anniversaries

they recorded a song in Yiddish to each other, so this program is like closing a circle."

## CONCERT REVIEW

# Bustan Abraham appeals to any palate

The Beersheba Sinfonietta gamut of styles from traditional opened its 24th season with Arab music to American jazz. On strings by newcomer Josef Bardanshvili, a seasoned composer from Georgia. Modest in proportion, the tonal work has notable artistic integrity. High strings articulate rhapsodic speech like phrases over a repetition passacaglia bass - a slowly ascending

diatonic scale. Soloist Cristina Ortiz (Brazil-England) is a bewitching performer who fingers the keyboard like a painter, lending original nuances to Beethoven's Piano Concerto No. 3. Her phantasmagoric musical gestures were authoritatively paced-within a

well-structured time frame. Maestro Uri Mayer, who led the contemporary work and concerto, gave an energetic, well-conceived reading of Schubert's Symphony

The Sinfonietta is well balanced this season, and we look forward to an exciting series of concerts in

(Beersheba, Conservatory, Sept-

ember 7)

PERCUSSION and kanun, banjo and ud, violin and bass guitar, not to mention the flute - it is an almost impossible combination. Yet these are the instruments that comprise one of Israel's most electrifying (don't get alarmed, they are all acoustic), invigorating, and bewitching ensembles. Meet Bustan Abraham, Avshalom Farjun's east-meets-west ensemble whose musical numbers cover the

Elegy ("Psalm 22") for disc, the ensemble is a sure hit. In live concert, the charisma of each of the seven musicians adds to the ambience of the performance.

Most captivating in any Bustan Abraham concert is the change of tempi and rhythms within each work they perform. A number can open with a bauntingly placid melody and suddenly change into a roller coaster that does not let you take a breath. Then there are the extraordinary solos interspersed in each number that enable ensemble members to shine as individual performers.

The music of Bustan Abraham, world music as many would probably try to define it, defies classification. It is not ethno jazz, although such elements can be found there. It is not folk music either, although many of the melodies are folk oriented. Nor is it your average dance band; quite the contrary.

The best way to experience this group is in live concert because the feeling is that each musician (some Arab, some Jewish) is playing just for you. Bustan Ahraham provides a tau-

talizing musical experience that would appeal to any palate. It is music of the here and now, anchored in traditions of many centuries ago. It is the music of Israel on the verge of the new millennium, a society which feeds on its past and transcends it to create an exciting future. (Zionist Confederation House,

Jerusalem, September 2) Michael Ajzenstadt

# Arab play long on dialogue, short on plot

## By NAOM! DOUDAL

Wash Your Form Moon (Hehrew title, Yareah, Rehatz Panayich) at Wadi Salib, the Arab theater in Israel realizes its fourth Arab-language production. This time, the addition of an Arabic-Hebrew simul-

> WASH YOUR FACE, O MOON (Yareah Rehatz Panayich) By Anton Shammas Wadi Salih

taneous translation is an irresistible inducement for non-Arabic speakers interested in following the development of this gifted company to come and enjoy their performance.

Shammas, poet, translator,

scholar and novelist, is no longer

resident in Haifa, having taken up

of Michigan, where he teaches Middle Eastern literature. This. his first play, with its exuberantly rich rheloric and rangy dialogue, is more a litterateur's product than a playwright's.

Allegorical in form, highly symbolistic and non-realistic in style, the play projects the gulf that divides the Israeli Arab from his Palestinian brother. It is a futuristic, conscience-raising parable that, though enlivened with wit and humor, is fraught with deeply felt pain.

The angst, agony, and sundering of souls is presented satirically and defiantly in the confrontation of a hunted Palestinian (Makram Khoury) with his prosperous Haifa Arah counterparts (Salwa Nakkara Haddad and Gassan Ahbas) in whose palatial Carmel home he seeks refuge. It slowly transpires that the house is a time trap with doors that open inwards

a teaching post at the University only at the proper Open Sesame of Michigan, where he teaches and walls that, like the enormous goldfish bowl that dominates the stage, are made of glass. Although the scenario depends

on a plot that is predominantly cerebral and on imagery and dramatic symbols rapidly spoken, director Daniel Gidron contrives to keep his actors moving, thus riveting audience attention. Khoury, Abbas and Haddad have sophisticated subtle roles that contrast dramatically with those of Norman Elsa and Mahmud Kadah, two petty criminals who are trapped in the same surreal situation. Their substitute for action is dynamic, spirited repar-

In their exuberance they, together with David Sharir's arresting architectonic set and its spectacular tank of goldfish, fill in for what is an excessively wordy, largely plotiess, hut nonetheless moving play.



Makram Khoury (center) plays a Palestinian on the run.

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22:30 West Beach

**E MIDDLÉ EAST TV** 

14:30 Body Electric 15:00 Basic Training

15:30 The 700 Club 16:00 Larry King

18:35 Saved by the

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19:00 Showbiz

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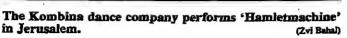
# CRITICS' CHOICE

### THEATER

HELEN KAYE Totally Israel and all

Shakespeare. That's the Cameri production of Twelfth Night directed by Micki Gurevitch. You'll laugh yourself into tears and out again. Yoram Hattab as Malvolio is a hoot. Tonight on the main stage at 8:30. (Hebrew with simultaneous translation into English.)

Sender Blank is Shalom Aleichem's kindlier spin oo Volpone, adapted for the stage by Ye'acov Rotbaum and directed by Michael Luria. Sender is a rich banker, a lover of life, and head of the Jewish community in his little Russian town. When it seems that he's dying, well, everybody and their little brother wants a share of the wealth, but Sender recovers. Tonight at the Netanya Auditorium at 8 in Jerusalem. p.m. (Yiddish with simultaneous translation into Hebrew.)



### FILM Adina Hoffman

\*\*\* ROSEANNA'S GRAVE - A surprisingly

sunny film about death and dying, this is the tale of a

simple but well-meaning trattoria owner (Jean Reno)

who lives with his beloved wife (Mercedes Ruehl) in

a postcard-perfect Italian village where the cemetery

has almost filled to maximum capacity. Roseanna is

very sick and Marcello has embarked on a desperate

campaign to keep the entire town alive and well so

that, when the sad time comes, she might be buried

in one of the last unoccupied plots. Unabashedly

schmaltzy in places, the picture is, make no mistake,

indefensible as art: shot in e too-quaint-to-be-true

style on location, the film features American, British

and French actors speaking English in phony-sound-

ing (and occasionally incomprehensible) Italian

accents, and Saul Turtletaub's script has a tendency

to belly-flop into its stand-up-routine styled punch-

lines. But the movie is charming in other, little ways.

Reno's character is a singularly batty dark-comic cre-

ation, Ruehl is delightful as always, and director Paul

Weiland demonstrates unusual warmth and sympa-

thy for all the characters, whose sentimental situation

is constantly being jogged just slightly by the story's wry twists and turns. (English dialogue, Hebrew sub-

titles. Parental guidance suggested.)

### DANCE HELEN KAYE

Choreographer/dancer Amir Kolben has adapted Heiner Muller's timely Hamletmachine as a multimedia work for his Kombina company, with music that ranges from Purcell to alternative rock. This Hamlet wants to be 9 machine, but Ophelia loses her passivity. Tonight and tomorrow at Gerard Behar in Jerusalem at 9 p.m.

### **CANTORIAL MUSIC**

MICHAEL AJZENSTADT

"Open for Us the Gate of Prayer" is the name of tonight's cantorial concert at the Jerusalem David's Tower Museum.

Dr. Mordechai Sobol conducts the Yuval choir and orchestra, Soloists include renowned cantors Ben Zion Miller from the USA, Canadian Yo'acov Motzen, and Israelis Israel Rand, Lior Maliach and Emil Zrihan (8:30).

# 6:30 News figsh 6:31 News in Arabic 6:45 Good Morning

8:00 Group One 8:30 Art Workshop 9:00 Science and 10:00 For the very young 11:00 English 12:00 French 12:30 Science and Technology 13:00 Geography 13:30 Cartoons

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**EDUCATIONAL TV** 

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Nature – Arabic 18:00 Family Album 18:30 Blitz on E CHANNEL 2 Cartoons 19:00 Group One 6:15 Today's Progr 6:30 Cartoons 7:00 Breakfast 19:30 Mirror 20:00 A New Evening 20:30 Female Magazine 9:00 Meetings 10:00 Pablo 11:00 Mission Perspective 21:00 Montperm Revisited - part 9 22:00 Growing Old in Impossible 12:00 Basic Arabic 12:30 Enid Blyton's a New Age 23:00 Onedin Line

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15:30 Doghouse 16:00 Album Show

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champ Mike Tyson.
With George C. Scott
23:50 Raging Bulf
(1980) – Martin
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look at the rise and fail of boxing champion Jake La Motta. With Robert De Niro, Cathy Morianty and Joe Peaci 2:00 Mercy (1996) an aggressive lawys is faced with e dark secret from his past

when his daughter is E CHILDREN (6)

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Boys 19:55 Three's Company 7:30 NBC Nightly News 8:00 MSNBC News 20:20 Married with 20:45 Roseanne 21:10 Cosby Show 10:00 European Squawk Box 11:00 European 21:35 Ditterent World

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9:00 Nomads:

13:00 Healthy Body

17:30 Dream Builders 16:00 The Site (1933) - a woman sleeps her way to the top of a New York 19:00 National Geographic Television office building. With Barbara Stanwyck and - African Meerkats 20:00 The Ticket John Wayne 23:50 Peppermint 20:30 VIP 21:00 Dateline Frappe (Spanish, 1968) - a doctor, in love with his brother 22:00 Major League Baseball highlights 23:00 Tonight Show 00:00 Late Night with Conan O'Brien wife, persuades his nurse to imitate her. With Geraldine Chaplin

STAR PLUS

# CHANNEL 8 7:30 Wonder Years 6:00 Open University 8:00 Oprah Winfrey 9:00 E TV Line of Samoi (100) 9:30 Yan Can Cook 10:00 Nine to Five 10:30 The X-Files Mongolia (rpt) 10:00 in the Steps of 11:30 The Bold and Stravinsky – perfor-mance by the Lyon Opera Orchestra 12:30 Great Thrills 12-00 Santa Barbara 13:00 WWF

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14:30 Arts Update 13:30 Desert Dreams - a look at southeast 14:05 Nature on Track African Lace 14:30 Beyond 2000 15:15 Diving with the Russians (rpt)

16:15 National Geographic: Canyon at the Bottom of the Sea (rpt) 17:00 Open University 19:05 What do Animals Feel' 19:30 Healthy Body 20:00 Staliway to Heaven - e journey to the Himalayes with sculptor Ezra Orion, to

see the sculpture he placed there in 1981 20:30 Nature on Track: The Wonda tribe in South Africa 21:00 Eight on Eight 21:35 Stratosphere looking down at the world from a height of 10-60 kms 22:30 National Geographic: Herring 23:15 Open University

SUPERCHANNEL

6:30 The Ticket 7:00 VIP **EUROSPORT** 9:30 Athletics; IAF Grand Prix 10:30 Xtreme Sports, San Diego 11:30 Speedworld 13:00 Eurogoals 14:00 Touring Car 15:00 Triathlon 15:30 CNBC US Squawk Box 17:00 Wine Cella

16:00 Cycling: Tour of 18:00 Volleybal 19:00 Rally: World cup from Australia 19:30 Fun Sports 20:00 Offroad Magazine 21:00 Darts 22:00 Boxing 00:00 Soccer: World Cup Legends

**ESTAR SPORTS** 

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18-00 Futbol Mondia

18:30 English League

19:30 The Olympic Series – Ice Skating 20:30 World's

23:00 Fabulous World

Season - Basketbal

Strongest Man 21:00 Boxing

of Speed 23:30 The Past

Newshour 17:30 Travel Show 18:30 Hard Talk 19:30 Airport (rpt) 20:00 World Today 21:30 Hard Talk (rpt) 22:30 BBC Reporte 23:30 Flavours of 22:00 South American Soccer

> **ECNN** INTERNATIONAL

2:10 Newsnight

News throughout the 6:30 World Report 7:30 Insight 8:30 Moneyline (rpt) 9:30 World Sport 10:30 Showbiz Today 11:30 CNN Newsroom 12:30 World Report 13:30 American Edition 13:45 Q&A (rpt)

14:00 Asian New 14:30 World Sport 15:15 Asian News 15:30 Business Asia 16:00 Larry King Live 17:30 World Sport 18:30 Asia Today 19:30 Q&A 20:45 American Edition 21:00 World Business

Today 21:30 World News 22:30 World Report 23:00 European News 23:30 Insight 00:00 World Business Today Update 30 World Soon 2:30 Moneyline

III VOICE OF MUSIC 6:06 Morning Concert 9:05 Mendelssohn: Piano trio no 1 in D

Recording Studio -Adam Trio, Haydn: Piano trio in G Gassner Expectation piano trio (1995); Beethoven: Piano trio no 4 in D op 70/1 16:00 My Concert with Prof. Shlomo 18:00 New CDs – Shostakovich: Quartet no 4 op 83; Brahms: Sonata in F minor op 120/1 for clarinet and piano arr by Luciano Berio for clarinet and orch; plenist Arcadi Volodos plays his and other arrangements of works by Blast, Liszt and Tchaikovsky; Brahms: Sonata no 2 In E flat for clarinet and piano; Shostakovich: Quintet for piano and strings op 67 20:05 Before the

minor op 49 (Previn.

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CO/Faerber); Grieg: Peer Gynt, full version

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D minor (NYPO/Bernstein); Weber: Symphony no 1 (New Philitermonia) 12:00 Light Classical - medures by Glinta

- overtures by Glinks Verdi, Mendelssohn

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Week - cellist Mischa Maisky. Bloch: Schelomo, Hebrew

mapsody for cello and orch (with JSO/Segal);

Beethoven: 12

Variations in F on

theme from Mozart's Magic Flute (with

Berman); Boccherini: Cello concerto no 9

(with JSO/Berio)

American Dream

15:00 From the

14:06 Folk mu

20:30 Live broadcast from Henry Crown Auditorium — Jerusalem Symphony Orchestra-IBA cond. Yuval Ben-Ozer;

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12 Large animals make less noise (9) 13 Coppers following a skilled

17 Tea specially prepared for a Greek character (3) 19 "Behold, Esau my —— i hairy man..." (Bible) (7)

23 Judge upstart politician with some displeasure (6)

20 Caught and being tried for causing a fight (7) 21 Dine in the home et 7.30(3)

27 Enters and makes an impression (9) 28 Roofing of the church specified (6)
29 Maintain ministers should

set the scene (9) 30 The more disagreeable

serving man? (6) 31 Show material to view with distaste (9)

DOWN 2 lt's possibly about e man's dissertation (6)

3 It's exhausting dressing (6) 4 The most aged and most chilly—about to drop off (6) 5 Section of the Spanish and French taking people in (7) 6 Coming to and bearing with everything involved

7 A personal toaster (9) 8 Combine badly-treating Oriental (9)

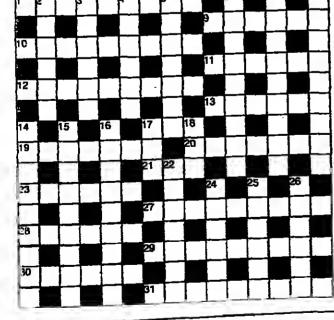
14 Revolutionary order given to a military body (5,4) 15 An ailment of grouse (9)

16 Figure perhaps he's just idiosyncratic (9) 17 Showing some hesitation over a certain point before

18 Bill's work (3) 22 Moderate hail-storm (7) 24 He'll beat the drink

soundly! (6) 25 Makes no progress in the market (6) 26 Read about mould required

for a spectacular pot-plant (6)



# SOLUTIONS

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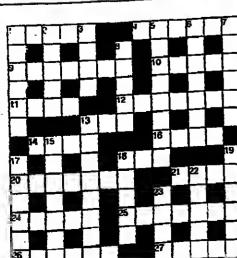
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DOWN: I Beach, 2 End, 4 Offaly, 9 Earlobe, 6 Athletics, 7 Derange, 6 Utah, 12 Wellbeing, 14 Diamond, 15 Astride, 17 Bounce, 19 Sofa, 21 Deter, 24 Act. Deter, 24 Act



## QUICK CROSSWORD

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13 View (3) 14 Roman emperor 16 Wee (4) 18 Lad (3) 20 Thing (7) 21 Sicilian voicano (4) 24 Applaud (5) 25 Headline (7) 26 Whole (6) 27 Equestrian (5)

1 Handgun (6) 2 Assemble (5)-3 Dutch cheese (4)

5 Briskness, cheerfulness (8) 6 Feeling (7) 7 Sledge (6) 8 Social blunder (5) 13 Magician (8) 15 Plead (7)

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### By SARAH HONIG

Labor Party members ought to "lower their eyes in shame and keep quiet as it becomes clearer and clearer that the deal their government struck has repeatedly put the lives of Israelis in peril." Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu's spokesman Shai Bazak said

Labor Party spokesman Yoram Dori in turn accused the government of "dragging Israel into an all-out confrontation with the Palestinians and, heaven forbid, a war with the Syrians... Israelis are paying with their blood for Neunyahu's failures."

This exchange was sparked by an earlier one between National Religious Party MK Nissan Solomiansky and Labor's Dalia Itzik. Others on both Left and Right entered the fray and Itzik, along with Meretz MK Dedi Zucker, lodged a complaint against Solomiansky with the attorney-general.

Bazak, who retorted to Itzik's onslaught on Solomiansky and Netanyahu, argued that "the Oslo Accords, signed by the previous government, created refuges and safe havens for terrorists under Palestinian Authority jurisdiction, issued and distributed thousands of firearms to the Palestinians, and caused numerous terror attacks and hundreds of Israeli deaths, even during the Labor government's tenure - while that government continued to make concessions and let the

Palestinians have all they wished." According to Bazak, Netanyahu must now

"do all he can to return security and pull the country out of the mire in which Labor sank it. The impudence of Labor's leaders seems to know no bounds, and they continue to incite even before the terror victims are laid to rest, providing the Arab countries with propaganda material."

Dori's reply said that "it's high time this prime minister stops hiding behind the apron of [former prime minister Shimon] Peres and the grave of late prime minister Yitzhak Rabin." Netanyahu's reckless boasts and baseless promises of a 'secure peace' have all shattered against the awful and painful reality. There is no peace. There is no security. There is terror. There is no

The public knows it needs another direction - experienced and responsible - which will make a secure peace and not just talk

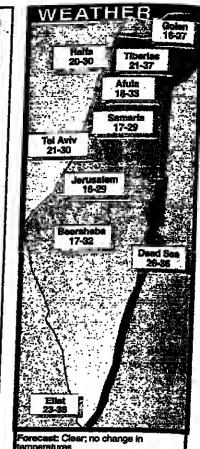
Solomiansky argued that "it is high time the public demands a political reckoning from those who brought the Oslo disaster upon us. These same people are now trying to sell us the very same goods by advocating a panacea in the shape of an unconditional withdrawal from Lebanon. They owe the

voter an accounting."

Itzik reminded Solomiansky that "the man who had been in charge of implementing the Oslo agreements for the past 15 months is none other than Netanyahu," and advised the NRP to bring Netanyahu down if it dislikes



Residents from Acre staged a protest yesterday in front of the Prime Minister Office yesterday, to press demands for their city to be declared a development zone. Such a designation would entitle Acre to tax benefits and loans. Acre has been plagued by economic troubles lately and has an unemployment rate of 11%.



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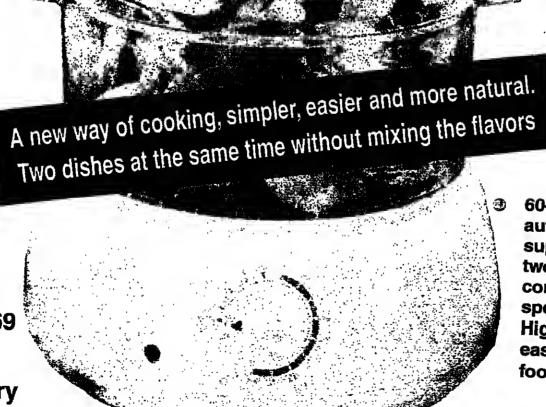
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# Mevasseret squatters granted 'asylum' in Jericho

### By HERB KEINON

When the term "city of refuge" is applied to Jericho, it is generally understood to mean a place of refuge for Palestinians fleeing the security forces. Now a group of lews is trying to show the world that Jericho can be an equal oppor-

tunity haven. Three activists involved in the ongoing and often violent struggle to squat in the Mevasseret Zion absorption center, went to Jericho last Thursday in search of "political asylum.

said he has no intention of trying to establish a Jewish presence in the "world's oldest city."

He said he went to Jericho because "we are being persecuted because we are Sephardim."

Palestinian Authority Chairman Yasser Arafat granted the asylum.
Avivi, whose following has grown to 10, including two babies, said he feels safer in Jericho than in Mevasseret.

As proof of the dangers lurking in Mevasseret, Avivi said that after he and five other people hlockaded themselves in an absorption center apartment last month, and opened up gas canisters, a police anti-terror unit stormed the apart-

ment to get them out.
"They tried to kill us," he said. Sitting in the second-floor lobby of the Jerusalem Hotel, where a television was tuned to CNN and a Book of Psalms was set on a coffee table, Avivi spoke of how he and the others involved in the Mevasseret Zion struggle were victims of "transfer."

We, the Sephardim, founded Mevasseret and built it up," Avivi said. "Now it is successful, and they want to transfer us."

It was early Thursday, before the Rehov Ben-Yehuda bombings, when Avivi drove into Jericho with Eli Dahan and Rafael Buzit. A few bours earlier, Jerusalem District Court had ordered them to stay away from Mevasseret and

Jerusalem for some 14 days. Having no where else to go, they thought Jericho was a logical des-

Buzit said the men stopped a Palestinian policeman on the street and asked for shelter. "He was shocked, Buzit said, but he took us to the PA offices."

Eventually, Preventive Security chief Jibril Rajoub was informed, and told Arafat, who said to put the group up, so they were taken to the local Jerusalem Hotel. The three have since been joined by another seven veterans of the Mevasseret battles.

"Our families would come here, but they can't get in because of the closure," Avivi said. He added that the minute the closure is lifted, "three bus loads of people will arrive.'

According to Avivi, the group was told by Rajoub that Arafat will try to find them political refuge in a third country. "We can-not stay here forever," he said, "they don't have the money to put us up."

An official at the PA's office in Jericho said that the group deserved to be granted asylum. "They were thrown out of their

homes," he said.

Then, taking full advantage of the public relations gen in hand, he added: "Look, Israel closes us in, but we open our doors to them. Anyone who comes is welcome. They are our guests. Avivi maintained that the group

had not come to make any politi-cal point. "We did not come here to be contentions. We came so that our problem would be solved." Avivi, who said he once was extremely right-wing, said he has

undergone a political conversion. "Look how they are treating us," he said, pointing to the air-conditioned rooms and the cups of juice on the table. "They are treating us the business height They are not like human beings. They are not animals. We are moving the peace from paper to reality. We are putting the peace into practice."

# Ganani closes company in Cairo

Dvora Ganani, who has been barred from returning to Egypt, decided yesterday to close her Cairo-based business.

"We decided to close it today because Egypt did not allow me to go back," Ganani said from her home. "Nobody gave me any reason." Ganani's company, World Wide Vision, has arranged deals during the past five years between Egyptian and other foreign companies in areas such as agriculture, construction, cosmetics and medical technology, she said. World Wide Vision worked to bring foreign companies into Egypt and Egyptian companies into other nations.

and Egyptian companies into other nations.

The Egyptian police held her on July 13 for 24 hours at Cairo International Airport for unspecified security reasons, she said. Labor Party leader Ehud Barak, who was passing through the airport at the time, persuaded Egyptian officials to let her return to Israel with him. Egyptian officials said at the time that Ganani was barred from entering because her name was on a list of persons banned from the country. Press reports said 4,000 Israelis were on the list, including senior government officials.

(AP)

# Winning cards

In yesterday's daily Chance-drawings, the winning cards were the king of spades, 9 of hearts, queen of diamonds, and queen of clubs, and the king of spades, 10 of hearts, king of diamonds, and 7 of clubs.

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